

2002 -2003



Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



1
*Math
Test!!!*
work @ 5:00



6
Cross Dress Day!
*Help
Environmental
Club*



8
*Pep Assembly
11 am*
GAME

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*Homecoming
Dance*

13

14
*RESEARCH
PAPER DUE!!!*
bring food drive \$
7:00 play practice



16

20
Picture Day!
*Scholarship
info due*



22
*English book
read - quiz?*
4:30 practice

23



28



NOTES:

A Day in the Life



the 1990s, the number of people in the UK who are aged 65 and over has increased from 10.5 million to 12.5 million, and the number of people aged 75 and over has increased from 4.5 million to 6.5 million (Office of National Statistics 2000).

There is a growing awareness of the need to address the needs of older people in the community. The Department of Health (1999) has published a strategy for older people, which sets out a vision for the future of older people's health and social care. The strategy is based on the following principles: older people should be able to live independently in their own homes; older people should be able to access the services they need; and older people should be able to participate in the decisions that affect their lives.

The strategy also sets out a number of key objectives for the future of older people's health and social care. These include: to improve the quality of life of older people; to reduce the inequalities in health and social care; to ensure that older people are able to access the services they need; and to ensure that older people are able to participate in the decisions that affect their lives.

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NOTES:

A Day in the Life

A Day in the Life of...

every Whiting High School student



Above, Groovy, baby! Seniors Greg Koval and David Franco show homecoming spirit 70's style!

When we settle back into to our desks and lockers in August, we may have different schedules, but we all go through the same routine. From homecoming to winter break, school is full of activities and assignments. Whether you're just entering or about to leave, we can at least all say we know what it is like to live in the day of a WHS student.

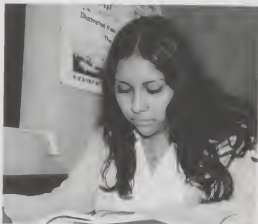


Above, Bryan Condy, senior, enjoying concession stand nachos, takes a break from cheering on the volleyball team.



Above, Spending homecoming the Mardi Gras way, seniors gone wild begin to march their dragon down 119th Street.

Below, She shoots, she scores! Ms. Flaris takes a shot at the teachers vs. students basketball game.



Above, Getting ready for a test, freshman Amanda Rodriguez quickly reviews the lesson.

Left, Rushing to get his ceramics project in the next batch going into the kiln, Kyle Strickland, junior, glazes his project.



Below, Yeehaw! Juniors Meaghan Cook, Stephanie Mikulski, Carla Cervantes, Sheila Rodriguez, Manuel Santos and Belen Castelan go country western.



Below, The Class of 2003 celebrated their last day before winter break with a Secret Santa luncheon, full of pizza and presents.

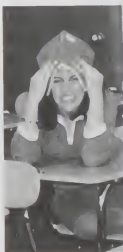


Above, The Spanish I class delights in a quick and rare tasty treat.



Above, These senior girls, Sarah Polak, Lucinda Rodriguez, Lauren Curosh, Candice Bartley, Nicole Arredondo, Nicole Lyons and Mandy Trent get comfy before senior skit practice.

Below, Studying for a vocab test can take a long time. Ask senior Ashley Sudar, who is racking her brain for a forgotten definition.



Above, Faculty and staff members show their school spirit with a pyramid during the teachers vs. students basketball game.



Above, Supporting their Lady Oilers, juniors Maria Martinez, Brittany Malkowski, Jenny Keith and Ashley Zubrenic model their unique cheering attire.

Above, Enjoying the Love and Basketball decorations, Victor Sahagun and Nallely DeLeon, sophomores, sit and listen to the music.



Whiting Oilers

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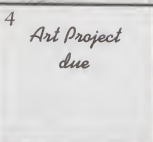
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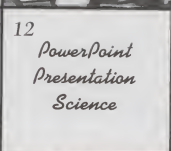
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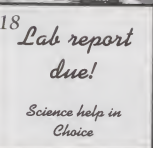
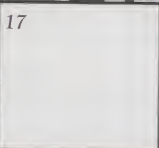
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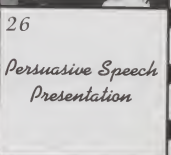
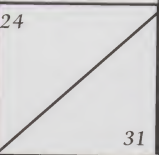
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Academics

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*Video Project
English*

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*Scholarship
Essay due*

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*Read-Up
Test*



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Vocab Quiz

1/2 Day

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*SA7
test day!*

NOTES:

A Day in the Life



Art

Beauty in the eye of the beholder

"Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up."

-Pablo Picasso

Below, The kiln is the last step in making ceramic art and the color glaze can be tricky. Taking his final product out of the kiln, junior **Ryan Knazur** hopes his glaze turned out the right color.



There are several different art classes with a variety of projects offered at WHS, from traditional art, to modern art, to working with clay. There are many ways for students to be creative and display their artistic side. Students draw their self-portraits. Students can shape and fire various styles of clay pots. Many crafty projects, anything from picture frames to woven baskets, are created by students.

Below, The gingerbread house is the most time-consuming project in ceramics. Senior **Greg Koval** works to slowly and delicately putting up the walls of his house.



Left, Lending a helpful hand to a fellow senior, **Jamie Torres** guides **Derek Horsley** in the process of shaping clay.

Right, Seniors **Rachel Coleman** and **Lucinda Rodriguez** begin to quickly sketch out a design for their next project.



Below, **Winston Kotzan**, senior, melds his love for *Ghostbusters* with his ceramics class. What is become of this melding is the giant Dough (or clay) Boy.



Above, Juniors **Brittany Malkowski** and **Jessica Sabol**, cutting carefully, try to get through all their pieces.



Below, Using her free time wisely, senior **Annie Rodriguez** sets out to make her own type of art.

"We all work extremely hard and we've performed the best we ever have this year."

Andy Vanderbye--sophomore

Band

The Few, the Proud, the Band



Throughout the year, the band has done an exceptional job in raising school spirit through music. Although they are not the largest group, they play with heart, which makes up for their small size. They faithfully show up to all football and basketball games during the season. Also, they perform at events such as parades, concerts and graduation.



Above, Excited members of the band prepare to start marching in the homecoming parade



Above, A middle school band member follows along as junior **Fiona Mills-Groninger** plays her clarinet with pride.



Above, Freshman **Adam Korman** concentrates on playing the school song at a basketball game.



Above, Senior **T.J. Fusner** plays his trumpet side by side with sophomore bandmate **Andy Vanderbye**.



Left, Freshman **Garreth Boland** glances at his music while playing at home court.

Right, Members of the band practice their songs for the upcoming concert.





Business

Keeping up with technology

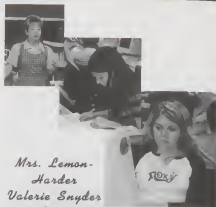
"Mrs. Lemon-Harder is a fun teacher and I really enjoyed learning in her class."

Jackie Perez - sophomore



Above, Mrs. Lemon-Harder writes her daily agenda for each of her classes.

Mrs. Lemon-Harder taught Accounting and Advanced Computer Applications this year. Mrs. Lemon-Harder not only taught, but she also sponsored the Business Professionals of America (B.P.A.) and the Web Club. The B.P.A. members and some of the accounting students took a field trip to Chicago. They visited the Chicago Board of Trade and Robert Morris College.



*Mrs. Lemon-Harder
Valerie Snyder
Sara
O'Drabinak*



Above, Seniors Sarah Polak and Rachel Coleman study before taking an accounting test.



Above, Mrs. Lemon-Harder shows Niomi Franco how to make adjustments to her website.

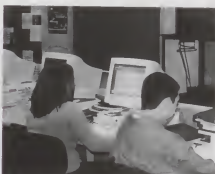


Above, Sophomores Mandy Edge, Erica Velazquez and Kurt Banas work hard in computer applications.



Above, Sophomore Kathy Pachowicz tries to find her floppy disk for her computer.

Below, Sophomores Stephanie Puhek and Ryan Terry type away on their computer assignments.



Above, Sophomore Pedro Quesada learns how to use Microsoft Word.

"Choir is so much fun because you get to be with all your friends while learning and enjoying music."

Amanda Krzyston-junior

Choir

The Whiting High School Story



Whether the choir is casually practicing in the music room of Nathan Hale, rehearsing for a concert, or choosing songs to use at competitions such as ISSMA, they always seem to be enthralled by the rhythms, beats and styles of the compositions they perform.



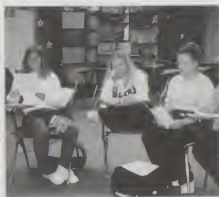
Above, Freshmen **Laura Fentress** (left) and **Crystal Hobson** (right) await further instructions while one of their middle school comrades continues the piece.



Above, Choir members take a pause from their practicing to pose for a quick shot with their first and second medals won at the recent ISSMA competition.



Above, Sophomores **Bridget Weller** and **Mallory Kertis** sing their parts of the song during their extra class after school, zero hour.



Above, Junior **Stacy Combs** smiles shyly as her classmates, sophomores **Misty Percianoff** and **Angelic Cruz**, watch her in her attempt to sing the part.

Left, Mrs. Kuzniar plays the piano while guiding her zero hour class through a number.



Left, Some of the students sustain their notes as Mrs. Kuzniar leads the other half in their part of the performance.



English

Comprehending the profound

"A classic is something that everybody wants to have read and nobody wants to read."

-Mark Twain



Above, Jonte Burton, freshman, catches up on read-up after finishing his work.

Left, Who? What? When? Where? Why? Juniors Maragret Anthony and Katie Holland receive some extra help on adverbs from Ms. Guaccio.



Above, The most important assignment of Senior English is the research paper. Eric Curosh kindly proofreads Nicole Lyon's completed paper.

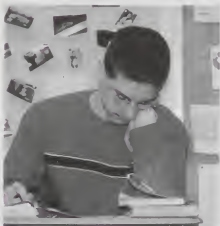


Above, Following along with the reading, freshman Garreth Boland tries to keep pace with the rest of the class.

From *To Kill A Mockingbird* freshman year, *Lord of the Flies* sophomore year, *The Scarlet Letter* junior year, to *Hamlet* senior year, the English classes have read stories ranging from Greek tragedies and English plays to more modern novels dealing entirely with human emotion. Also, the fundamentals of grammar are taught each year. Along with English, speech is a class given for one semester where students learn how to publicly speak on a variety of subjects.



Above, Receiving individual help on her final year of grammar, Ashley Sudar, senior, quietly points out her area of improvement to Ms. Flaris.



Above, To read or not to read: That is the question. Jonathan McNinch, senior, pores over his Shakespeare notes.



Right, Yo, yo, yo! It's *Insta Fro*, presented during speech class by sophomores Justin Mis and Vanessa Franco.

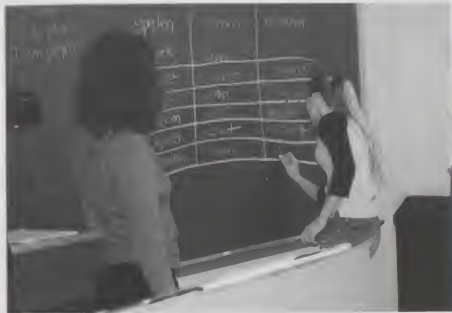
"Frau P. has made German really fun this semester. Though it is difficult at times, we're learning a lot and enjoying the class." **Katie Holland-junior**

German

Ich bin ein Oiler!



This year our students have had the experience of a new German teaching staff. With the utmost efficiency, students are taught a European history, German culture, and most importantly, the German language. So, come to German class and join the fun!

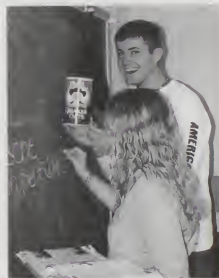


Above, Freshman Alex Simunic writes the various forms of verbs on the board.



Above, Senior Jon McNinch energetically works long hours on his assignment.

Below, Junior Laura Simunic holds flashcards as she conducts a memorization exercise with a partner.



Above, Senior Vinnie Donovan presents his favorite brand of oatmeal as junior Katie Holland writes a related sentence on the chalkboard.



Industrial Arts

Building our way to the future through technology



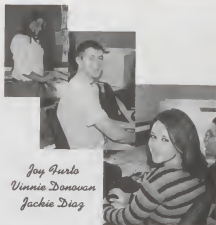
Above, **Bob Sliwa** sits back and relaxes while senior classmate **Derek Horsley** sketches his ideas.



Below, Junior **Becca Papach** searches the Internet for interesting pictures for her PowerPoint presentation.



Industrial Arts includes a variety of different classes. **Mr. Cain** and **Mr. Romero** are the teachers for those classes. **Mr. Cain's** classes deal more with computer design and the different printing processes. **Mr. Romero's** classes are more involved with wood building and computer drafting.



*Joy Furlo
Vinnie Donovan
Jackie Diaz*



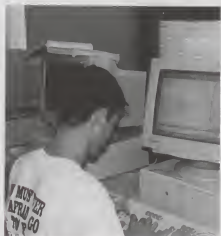
Left, Seniors **Michael Baker**, **Vincent Leckavicius** and **Juan Cornejo** practice their wood gluing skills.

Above, Seniors **Jonathan Gomez** and **Edgar Cornejo** try to pinpoint the problem on the screen.



Above, Juniors **Russell Atteberry** and **Kiley Strickland** work diligently to finish their shelving projects.

Below, Senior **Eric Curosh** shows off his computer engineering skills during **Mr. Romero's** class.



"In calculus, I learned numerous applications that were thoroughly discussed during study sessions at Lauren Curosh's house."

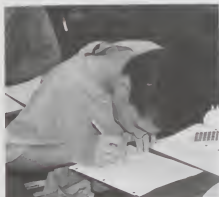
Vinnie Donovan--senior

Math

Adding up the memories



Adam Korman

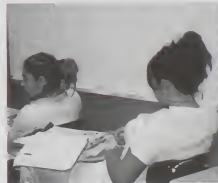


Above, Freshmen **Luis Neri** and **Jason Flores** look at the examples on the board in their math skills class. Math skills is a class required to help prepare students for the ISTEP testing.



Above, Senior **Bryan Condry** looks distraught while taking notes on the different approaches to solving an augmented matrix.

*H*ave you ever wanted to learn about square roots, matrices, first derivatives or obtuse angles? Math can be an interesting class and you may realize that you can make an exciting career out of it. According to senior **Dan Toleikis**, "Calculus class prepared me well because I will be majoring in mathematics in college."



Mrs. Sorota



Left, During geometry class, sophomore **Pedro Quesada** checks his homework with the answers on the board.



Above, Students in pre-calculus take notes on the "illustrative examples" that **Mr. Sorota** provides. This was one of the smallest math classes and it offered more one on one attention.

Left, Juniors **Stacy Combs** and **Andrea Dunston** listen intently to **Mrs. Herochik** explain the day's lesson in geometry.



Health/P.E.

Endurance pays off

"The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."

-Vince Lombardi

Go Figure

The cost of a gym uniform

\$16

The cost of gym shoes

\$20-40

The cost of paper for health class

about \$5

*The cost of lasting memories
made in high school*

PRICELESS

Right, Freshman **Megan Kalman** prepares herself for the set while her teammate **Matthew Kobli** watches closely during a gym class volleyball competition.

Below, Freshman **Hugo Torres** guides his friends through a quick overview of the strategy that will be used in the upcoming game.



Right, Freshman **Angie Galaviz** has her mind set on her leg exercises during a visit to the weight room.

From sitting in class learning about the human body or the effects of drunk driving, to playing basketball or kickball in gym, the students in these classes learned many new aspects of physical health. Not only did the sophomore health classes watch informational videos, but also the freshmen gym classes took trips to the Community Center to participate in swimming and bowling. Hey, who said learning wasn't fun?



Above, Sophomores **Jill Furto** and **Stephanie Puhek** take out their notes and book to review for a quick quiz.



Right, Freshman **Yvonne Sanders** (seated) has her eyes focused ahead while classmate **Samantha Lessentine** works out on a machine during the gym class.



"...though the staff was small, they worked hard to get the job done."

Ms. Hylek--adviser

Reflector

Making memories fun!



Below, Shannon Wilson and Sarah Rodgers

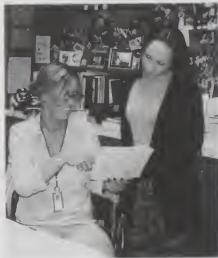


Above, Senior **Megan Castle** watches **Katie Holland** flip through old yearbooks to get some ideas for her Reflector layout.



Above, Who says Reflector is all fun and games? Senior **Shannon Wilson** looks through the mock yearbooks made from magazine clippings.

Have you ever heard or read about unsung heroes? Well that is exactly what the Reflector staff are. Every year, a dedicated group of students, led by their adviser, **Ms. Hylek** tackle the task of taking pictures, doing and redoing layouts, and finally putting together a book for all to enjoy. This year, Ms. Hylek found her staff a little short handed, but was confident that with the students she had, this edition of Reflector would be one of the best books to date. "I'm very proud of my staff this year. Though the staff was small, they worked hard to get the job done. I hope that their fellow students commend them," Ms. Hylek said.



Above, Yikes! **Ms. Hylek**, in her first appearance in a Reflector layout, helps one of the many newcomers, junior **Jenny Keith**, to decide what layouts need to be completed.



Above, What a happy family! Senior editor **Ashley Sudar** and the Reflector staff prepare to meet the deadlines in the weeks to come.



Above, Talk about someone looking over your back! Senior member **Megan Castle** keeps a close eye on "rookies" **Jenny Keith** and **Justin Mis** to make sure that they do not make any mistakes.



Above, Senior members **Ashley Sudar** and **Lauren Curosh** reminisce about good times as they send out contracts to the local businesses.



Science

The root of all subjects

"Science is facts; just as houses are made of stones, so is science made of facts; but a pile of stones is not a house and a collection of facts is not necessarily science." — Henri Poincaré

Go Figure

5 Times you dread dissecting the pig

Illustrative examples for physics

In 3 65 days the earth completes an orbit around the sun.

Extra hours you spend repping your lab report.

Great subject: science

Right, Seniors **Bryan Condy** and **Dan Toleikis** watch **Mr. Sorota** as he demonstrates the moment of inertia.



Whether you're dissecting a pig in biology, mixing chemicals to make a solution in chemistry, calculating the force of an object in physics, or learning about the earth and sky in earth space, there is one word that ties all of these subjects together: science.



Above, Juniors **Sarah Brown** and **Leticia Zacarias** work in Chemistry II.

Left, Junior **Holly Plemons** and senior **Eddie Boyle** watch as junior **Isa Reynoso** carefully pours a chemical into their experiment in **Mr. Long's** class.

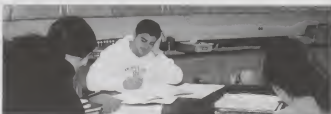
Right, Junior **Katie Holland** quizzes sophomore **Ashley Oswald** to make sure she is ready for the dissected pig test by pointing to the parts of the pig.



Left, Juniors **Maria Martinez** and **Brittany Malkowski** ask **Mr. Long** for help on their labs.



Below, Sophomore **Sixto Arredondo** and juniors **Belen Castelan** and **Erika Martinez** study for their next test.



"Mr. Vrabel always tries to make geography interesting; whether we were watching films or making posters on states and countries."

Tommy Gresko--freshman

Social Studies

A history of good times



Sisto Arredondo



Above, Senior Valerie Snyder helps senior Sarah Polak work on a project for their government class.



This year at Whiting High was history in the making. Many activities were planned for the social studies classes. In geography, students were asked to pick a state and write a report on it. In government, students made amendment games and the economics class had the pleasure of learning about credit scores from Whiting alumnus and guest speaker, John Wilkening.



Left, During geography class, freshman Andrew Gallegos points to a place on the globe that he would like to visit.

Alex Simunic



Left, While working on the "Re-Amending Game" seniors Mandy Trent and Annie Rodriguez take some time out to go over the rules before they begin to play.



Above, Seniors Jose Jimenez and Vinnie Donovan demonstrate to their fellow classmates how to play their government game "Connect the Amendments".

Left, Sophomore Michael Espinoza reads about the causes of child abuse during his current problems class.

"I enjoyed geography because we were able to learn about all of the different parts of the world and their customs and cultures."

Ryan Lewandowski--freshman



Spanish

Translating learning into fun

"Taking Spanish is important because it can help when you are looking for a job. Being familiar with two languages can be especially beneficial." **Leticia Zacarias** -junior

Go Figure

5 People who fully grasp the difference between "ser" and "estar".

4 Presentations you're assigned to give in a semester.

3 Movies the seniors watched of don Quijote.

2 Field trips you take per year.

1 Other languages offered.

If you talk to a group of Spanish students, it is quite likely that they will name their Spanish class as one of their busiest classes. Not only do students learn to understand the Spanish culture, but they also learn to speak and write in the language. Among the projects this year were various presentations, papers, art work and group activities and games.



*Justin Mis
Andrea Dunston
Alex Harris*



Above, Sophomore **Misty Percianoff** explains in ten steps how to make donuts for her demonstration.



Above, Sophomore **Cecelia Garcia**, senior **Amanda Raczka** and sophomores **Sixto Arredondo** and **Mandy Edge** eagerly serve their tasty Mexican dish.



Left, Junior **Maria Martinez** passes out the notes from her presentation on making up to her third year class.



Right, Senior **Miriam Lopez** blindly takes a swing at the pinata created by students in her Spanish IV class.



"The Tattler was a very fun experience this year. We had a large staff with great writers."

Katie Holland--editor

Tattler

Keeping WHS informed



Below, Editor Katie Holland



In today's world, there are those who inform and those who are informed. This year, the staff with new editor, **Katie Holland**, worked their Tattler tails off to make sure that every issue would be the best it could be. From sports to academics, to the new hit "Roxy's Diary", Tattler covers it all. Every three weeks, the staff writes articles, compiles them to disks, and finally sends them off to the layout editor, **Allsion Stangel**, who puts it all together, and creates what is called *The Tattler*.

Left, Is someone peeking? Holly Plemons scans the paper hot off the press.



Above, Look out! Junior members Allison Stangel and Jessica Sabol put on their Tattler faces to finish their articles.



Above, Armed with her pen and paper, editor Katie Holland jots down ideas that her staff is giving her for the next issue of The Tattler.

Below, Ms. Hylek's little helper Sasha Solis is all caught up with her Tattler duties and helps the Reflector with theirs.



Below, Stephanie Mikulski types, clicks, and scrolls like there is no tomorrow, which there isn't, to make the deadline for her article.



One, two, three...Below, the Tattler and Reflector staffs join together to count out the papers for their fellow classmates...four five, six...



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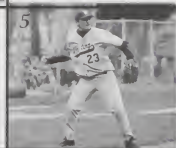
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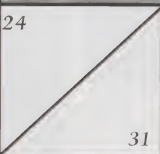
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 BB vs Lowell 4:45 SB vs Wheeler 5:00	2 Golf @ Calumet Invite 10:00
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NOTES:

A Day in the Life



Regionals
Laura Simunic reaches the regional competition.



New Additions
Jason Irizarry joins the team for his first year.



The Coach
Coach Moynihan commands the team for his fifth year.



■ Above, Miriam Lopez, Ashley Oswald, Laura Simunic and Erica Velazquez prepare to demolish the other teams.



■ Left, Freshman Nick Suarez chases down a Clark competitor. Go get 'em Nick!



■ Above, New runner senior Jason Irizarry keeps pace.

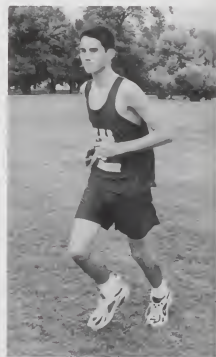
VARSITY Cross Country

Running to new records

The Green Three Miles

■ This year was a record-breaking season for the cross country team. Coach Moynihan described the season as "successful," and stated that many of the runners were able to achieve "personal best" records. In particular, the team did well at the Highland and Hobart Invitionals. Two of the outstanding runners for this season were junior Laura Simunic, who qualified for the regionals, and junior Jake Turner, who set an all-time personal best. Both runners were considered as MVP's.

As always, the cross country team will miss their departing seniors Eric Curosh, Jason Irizarry and Miriam Lopez.



■ Above, Senior Eric Curosh seems to enjoy the run.

■ Left, The mighty Jake Turner pushes himself to a new record.



■ Above, The 2002-2003 Cross Country Team. Standing: Senior Jason Irizarry, freshman Nicholas Suarez, senior Eric Curosh, junior Jacob Turner and Coach Kevin Moynihan. Sitting: Sophomore Erica Velazquez, senior Miriam Lopez, sophomore Danielle Vega, sophomore Ashley Oswald, junior Laura Simunic and freshman Alexandra Simunic.



■ Above, Ashley Oswald, Laura Simunic, Alex Simunic, Miriam Lopez and Erica Velazquez get charged up for the race.



■ Left, Laura Simunic and her sister Alex modestly race past the camera.



■ *"Although running was hard work, it was fun laughing and working with the team."*

- Eric Curosh, senior

Stats - Whiting vs...

Gavit Invite	9/17
Calumet	Win
Rensselaer	Forfeit
New Prairie Invite	23/27
Quad Meet (Hobart)	3/4
Highland Invite	17/27
Tri-Meet (Clark)	1/3
River Forest	Loss
Conf. Invite	7/13

Sectionals 6/13



■ *"My highlight this year was when I broke my time."*

- Miriam Lopez, senior



■ *"My most memorable moments were the laughs we had on the bus rides."*

- Jason Irizarry, senior



Awards

The Oilers won 2nd place in the L A C Blue Division.



New Additions

Senior Eddie Boyle joins the action for the first time.



The Coach

Coach Cain returns as head coach for his 8th year.

"My funniest moments were going up against Big Pauly on the line every day at practice."

- Eddie Boyle, defensive end

VARSITY Football

When the going gets tough...

...the Oilers get going

Stats - Whiting vs...

Lafayette Catholic	7-21 (L)
River Forest	27-8 (W)
South Central	12-9 (W)
Morton	12-40 (L)
Lake Station	35-12 (W)
Gavit	33-7 (W)
Calumet	55-2 (W)
Bishop Noll	35-21 (W)
Clark	28-7 (W)
River Forest	27-8 (W)
Triton	18-7 (W)
LaVille	0-28 (L)
Overall Record	9-3
Conference Record	5-1

"The funniest moment was after practice one day when Dan Toleikis and I backed into each other with our cars."

- Bryan Condry, wide receiver

"My most memorable moment was at precisely 2:38:26 p.m., November 1, 2002, when I ever so graciously became the first quarterback to be inducted as a member of the Wrecking Crew."

- Vinnie Donovan, quarterback

"What I'll miss about the team is every Friday, when I'm out there with my boys playing football, and after chill and talk about the game."

- Tino Cuba, wide receiver

■ This school year held another great season for the illustrious Oilers. Losing only three games the entire season, the Oilers had some outstanding wins, which included Bishop Noll, Clark, and Gavit. In particular, defeating Gavit four years in succession was a remarkable accomplishment for this senior group. Although losing the sectional game was a disappointment, **Coach Cain** stated that this was "an enjoyable group to work with."

Strategically, Coach Cain felt that the team was out-weighted by 40-50 lbs., but **Coach Segudovic** (Coach Scoot) tried an effective "attacking defense," causing difficulties for the opposing teams.



■ Above, 2002-2003 Whiting High School Football Team. Top Row: Senior Paul Thomas, freshman Ryan Lewandowski, senior Dan Toleikis, sophomore Richie Pachowicz, senior Vinnie Donovan, freshman Matt Kobli, senior Tino Cuba, freshman Luis Cosseyleon, sophomore Victor Sahagan. Second Row: Coach Jeff Cain, Coach Robert Segudovic, senior David Franco, freshman Garreth Boland, junior Aaron Morando, senior Bryan Condry, senior Jaime Torres, senior Vincent Leckavicius, freshman Mike Keith, sophomore Ryan Terry, sophomore Sixto Arredondo, Coach Willie Greer. Third Row: Freshman Ricky Wallace, freshman Andrew Gallegos, junior Ryan Knazur, senior Jose Jimenez, freshman Hugo Torres, freshman Jason Flores, senior Alejandro Reyes, freshman Kyle Koliboski, freshman Adam Korman. Bottom Row: Manager Ashley Sudar, senior, freshman Luis Neri, freshman Zachary Dumezich, freshman Joe Ramos and manager Katie Holland, junior.



■ Above, The invincible Coach Cain discusses the precarious situation with seniors Dan Toleikis (#21) and Tino Cuba (#33).



■ Left, After making another spectacular catch, senior Tino Cuba (#33) digs for some extra yardage. Against Gavit, Tino had 11 catches, 185 yards, two touchdowns and one interception. He says that beating Clark was another highlight of his senior year and was proud to end the season with a 9-3 record.

■ Right, Senior Vinnie Donovan (#7) executes the play as the Oilers try to rack up some more points. This particular game was the homecoming battle against the Calumet Warriors.



■ Left, Sixto Arredondo (#44) surpasses the approaching defensive players.

■ Right, Senior Dan Toleikis (#21) tries to haul in a first down catch.



"It was a fun year, but I am sorry for not finishing the job by winning a sectional or more."

- David Franco, middle linebacker

"My most memorable moment was scoring my first varsity touchdown and first field goal."

- Jose Jimenez, linebacker

"My senior year was most enjoyable because of everything we accomplished and all the fun we had."

- Vincent Leckavicius, safety

"What I'm going to miss most are those Friday night lights and the teammates I played with. I will also miss the coaching staff."

- Alejandro Reyes, center

"My most memorable moment was chillin' with the boys after the game."

- Paul Thomas, tackle

"My most memorable moment was Senior Night vs. Gavit. It was our fourth win over them in the past four years."

- Dan Toleikis, wide receiver

"My funniest moment was when Scoot wrestled Zack."

- Jaime Torres, defensive tackle

"My most memorable moment was when Coach Verta told Katie, Bridget and I we were all beautiful no matter what anyone said. And also receiving a football at the end of the year for being a manager all four years."

- Ashley Sudar, manager



Team

The Lady Oilers demonstrate the "roll up" before each game.



Coach

Dan Nichols has been head coach since 1997.



Spirit

The team pumps each other up during an important match



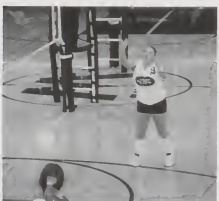
■ Above, Joy Furto makes a grand entrance as she takes a trip through the hoop on Senior Night.



■ Above, Timing is everything! Senior Lauren Curosh is up and ready as the ball comes over the net.



■ Above, Backed by her teammates, senior Amanda Raczkla tries to save the ball.



■ Above, Senior Shannon Wilson sets to her outside hitter.

VARSITY Volleyball

Bump, set, spike! Let's ace a VICTORY!

■ The varsity volleyball team had a good year. The team's record was 16-16 overall, winning 12 of their 20 non-conference games. The girls worked hard this year and never gave up, but they suffered a few heartbreaking games. The team will lose five seniors to graduation, but they will also be gaining some too. Senior Amanda Raczkla said, "The volleyball season went really well. I think all of us bonded and became very close; also I think that we opened a lot of people's eyes by keeping up with the bigger schools."

■ Below, The players take a moment on Senior Night to show off their parents.



■ Above, Preventing her opponent from scoring a point, junior Becca Papach "dunks" the ball back over the net.

SENIORS' HIGHLIGHTS

■ "Our volleyball season was definitely a memorable one on and off the court. I will never forget the good times."—Lauren Curosh

■ "We held our own with big teams like Merrillville, Highland, Andean and Munster. They went into the games thinking it was going to be an easy win, but we showed them."—Shannon Wilson



■ Above, The starters meet before the game to talk about their strategy.

■ Below, Senior Shelle Hemm keeps her eye on serving the ball.



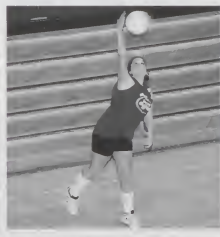
■ Below, The team takes a quick break during the game to get some water, cool down and listen to Coach Nichols.



■ Below, Juniors Becca Papach and Sarah Brown congratulate each other after scoring their team a point.



■ Below, Senior Joy Furto aces the ball at a crucial moment in the game.



■ Below, Having no other option, Sarah Brown sets the ball across the net on a third hit.



Stats - Whiting vs...

Wash. Twp.	L	Griffith Tourney
EC Central	W	Calumet
River Forest	W	Gavit
Merrillville	L	Hanover Cent.
Lake Station	W	Kouts
Morgan Twp.	W	Gavit
Whiting Tourney		Munster
Hammond	W	Bishop Noll
EC Central	W	Hammond High
Gavit	W	Gary West Side
Calumet	L	Hebron
LaCrosse	W	Griffith
Highland	L	Gary Roosevelt

Conference 4-8
Nonconference 12-8

Sectionals --MC Marquette
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SENIORS' HIGHLIGHTS

■ "This season was GREAT! I'll never forget the times I kept everyone laughing."
-Joy Furto

■ "This year I had a great time playing with all the girls. Thanks for all the laughs and fun times we had."
-Shellee Hemm



■ The 2002 Varsity Volleyball Team. Top Row: Coach Nichols, Amanda Raczka, Becca Papach, Lauren Curosh and Joy Furto. Bottom Row: Jill Furto, Sarah Brown, Shellee Hemm, Stacy Combs and Shannon Wilson.

■ Below, Senior Dan Toleikis shoots high above his defender to sink this three-pointer with only seconds left.



■ Left, Sophomore Sixto Arredondo basks in the spotlight as his name is announced before the game.

VARSITY Basketball

It's not how good you are-- it's how bad you want it

■ Through many hours of hard work and practice, the varsity basketball team had a season with more wins than in previous years. The team worked together and came through in the end with eight wins, five of those in a row. Winning eight is the third most in the last 20 years; and winning five in a row is the most since the 1989-90 season. The team was also 50th out of 386 teams in the state in defensive average. The team was made up of mostly underclassmen, so hopefully next year we can look forward to a season as good as this year's.

■ Below, "Let's get fired up!" The varsity starters help get the rest of the team motivated before the game.

Stats - Whiting vs...

Wash. Twp.	L	North Newton	W
Clark	L	Gavit	W
Lake Station	W	MC Marquette	W
Noll	L	Westville	W
Morgan Twp.	L	Grant Park	W
Morton	L	LAC Lowell	L
Hanover Cntl.	L	LAC Noll	L
Griffith	L	River Forest	L
Lowell	L	Hebron	W
Calumet	L	Clark	W

Sectionals vs. South Central L
Final Record 8-12

■ Below, The 2002-2003 Varsity Boys Basketball Team. Kneeling: Ryan Lewandowski, Vinnie Donovan, Steve Vazquez, Eric Curosh, Andrew Sherer, Matt Kobli. Standing: Sixto Arredondo, Daniel Serrano, Dan Toleikis, Matt Elza, Victor Sahagun, Jason Flores, Coach Lenz. Not pictured: Tino Cuba



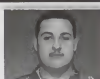
Coach

Coach Kevin Lenz has been coaching varsity for six years.



Steve Vazquez

My favorite moment was Senior Night against Clark because I started.



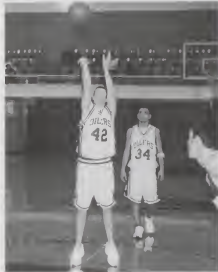
Eric Curosh

My favorite moment was when Dan and I were dunking at River Forest.





■ Above, "Jump, jump, jump high! Tip that ball to an Oiler guy!" Dan Toleikis "tips off" his teammates at the beginning of a big game.



■ Above, Senior Vinnie Donovan shoots a free throw for his team. Donovan had 158 points and 169 rebounds this year as a starter.



■ Below, Sixto Arredondo shows his ball handling skills as he dribbles past this Lowell player.

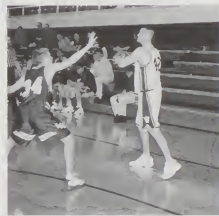


■ Above, Freshman Matt Kobli goes around his defenders to post numbers for the Oilers. As a freshman, Kobli was a starter and had 206 points and 119 rebounds.

■ Left, Hoping to lead the team to victory, Coach Lenz goes over defensive and offensive plays during the team's timeout.

■ Right, Junior Daniel Serrano concentrates on getting his free throw in to get points on the board for his team. This was the first year Serrano was on the Oiler team.

■ Below, Senior Tino Cuba rises above the Red Devils as he scores two points. Cuba played forward this year and has for the last three.



■ Above, Vinnie Donovan looks beyond his opponents for one of his teammates.



Tino Cuba

My favorite moment was winning five games in a row and beating Clark.



Vinnie Donovan

My favorite moment was Senior Night against Clark. We all played as a team.



Dan Toleikis

My favorite moment was when I won the tip off against 6'11 Kenny Harris.



History

After 26 years, Paul Laub retired from coaching girls basketball.



Coach

New coach, Joe Pokraka, is ready to lead the Lady Oilers this season.

"We had a really successful season. Even though we didn't end sectionals like we wanted to, I'm proud of the girls. Everyone did really well."

—Lauren Curosh, senior

"The price of success is hard work, dedication to the job at hand, and the determination that whether we win or lose, we have applied the best of ourselves to the task at hand."

—Vince Lombardi

Stats - Whiting vs...

S.B. Christian	W	Griffith	L
Clark	W	Gavit	L
Hammond High	L	Clark	W
Westville	W	Hebron	W
Bishop Noll	L	Lake Station	W
Wash. Twp.	L	Calumet	L
Morton	W	Wheeler	L
Andean	L	LAC Tourney:	
Morgan Twp.	W	Clark	W
Lowell	L	Lowell	L

Sectionals:

Westville 51-35, W
South Central 52-48, W
Wash. Twp. 15-52, L

Final Record: 12-11



Below, With the clock ticking, senior Joy Furto quickly scans the court for an open Lady Oiler.

VARSITY Basketball

A new coach for a new season

For 26 years, the Lady Oilers had been under the same leadership. Coach Paul Laub. This year, after Laub's retirement from coaching girls basketball, the Lady Oilers played under a new coaching staff, headed by Joe Pokraka. Despite a shortage of seniors and all of the new changes, the Lady Oilers managed a winning season, making it to the sectional championship game this year.

Below, The 2002-2003 Lady Oilers Varsity Basketball Team. Kneeling: Joy Furto, Rebecca Papach, Lauren Curosh, Amanda Raczk, Laura Simunic. Standing: Coach Jen Cantrell, Mandy Trent, Jessica Sabol, Brittany Malkowski, Maria Martinez, Coach Pokraka.



The Lady Oilers stand together for the playing of *The National Anthem*.

Above, Junior Brittany Malkowski gets ready to pass the ball against the Lady Bearcats.



"Basketball was pretty fun this year. Our away trips and watching Maria and Joy 'accidentally trip' were the best! LOL- Thanks for everything, ladies!"

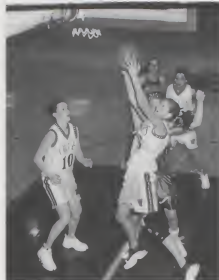
-Amanda Raczk, senior

"I will miss basketball, especially the bus rides. Oh, yeah, who could forget 'Ryan's? Middy and Britt, Bec, best of luck next year. You have some big shoes to fill."

-Joy Furto, senior

"At first it was weird having a new coach, but everything turned out well. We had a good, challenging season and a lot of fun."

-Mandy Trent, senior



■ Above, Lauren Curosh goes up for the rebound against the Lady Bearcats from Wheeler. Curosh had eight rebounds for the night.



■ Above, Junior Becca Papach lines up for a shot to add to the Lady Oilers' lead in a hard-fought game.



■ Left, Senior Joy Furto is called out for the starting line up.

■ Below, Junior Maria Martinez fights for the ball. Martinez ended up winning the jump.



■ Above, Brittany Malkowski gets ready to shoot a free throw after being fouled in the game against our crosstown rivals, the Lady Pioneers.



■ Above, The Lady Oilers listen attentively as Coach Pokraka instructs them on the next play.



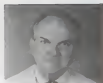
■ Above, Mandy Trent finds her way through the defense to get the ball up the court.



■ Above, Lauren Curosh prevents her opponent from dribbling down the court.



■ Above, Becca Papach charges through the defense to score one of her many points.



History

Bill Rebey retired after 36 seasons as head coach of the wrestling team.



Coach

Coach Segudovic takes over for Bill Rebey after four years of being assistant.



Seniors

Four-year wrestler Greg Koval finishes his career with a team-best 23-10 record this season.



Senior Greg Koval's (right) 23 wins led the team, and he also accumulated the most team points, which was

over seventy. Aaron Morando (left), junior, was the team leader in takedowns and pins.

Stats - Whiting vs...

Hammond	W	Munster Super	
River Forest	W	Duals	L
North Newton	L	Lake County	
Boone Grove	L	Tourney	L
Clark			
West Side	W	LAC Tourney	L
Hanover Cent.	L	Sectionals	L

Below, The Whiting Oiler Wrestling Team. Front Row: Zachary Dumezich, Hugo Torres, Jose Jimenez, and Alejandro Reyes. Back Row: Coach Robert Segudovic, Aaron Morando, Gregory Koval, Ryan Terry, Assistant Coach Jamie Reyes.



Above, As his opponent tries to roll, Aaron Morando attempts to get a pin, contributing to one of his 22 wins this season.

Right, Coach Segudovic and Coach Reyes advise from the coaches' chairs.

VARSITY Wrestling

It's not who starts that counts; it's who has the guts to finish

With only 250 students in enrollment, it's no surprise that it's hard to pull strong numbers for the wrestling team. This year, the Oilers had nine wrestlers, which is only five shy of a full team. This year's team not only consisted of a new head coach, Rob Segudovic, but six of the nine grapplers had no experience at the varsity level. Despite all of that, most importantly, the wrestlers and coaches agree that a lot of experience was gained. The records do not do justice to the many hours of conditioning and practicing. Numerous personal goals were set, and many were even achieved. "I thought my first season in wrestling went well," said freshman Hugo Torres. "My goal was to place in a tournament before the season ended, and I reached it." Placing in tournaments, along with Torres, were freshmen Zach Dumezich, junior Aaron Morando and senior Greg Koval.

Below, Staring down his opponent, Greg Koval prepares to begin his match.



Right, At a triple dual at home, Jose Jimenez, senior, counteracts his shooting opponent from Lew Wallace.





■ Above, Greg Koval performs his most frequently-used move, the crossface against an unsuspecting opponent from West Side, getting one step closer to his 23 wins.

■ Right, Hugo Torres avoids being taken down by another 160 pound wrestler during a home match against Hanover Central, which was one of the two triple duals held at Whiting this year.

■ Right, Zach Dumezich awaits the sound of the referee's whistle, announcing the pin against Hanover Central's 125 pounder.

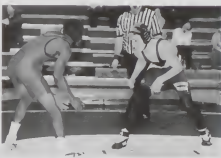


■ Left, David Franco, senior, uses his strength to take down his competitor and get yet another win.

■ Below, Senior Michael Baker gets his arm raised in triumph after his 130 pound match.



■ Right, Aaron Morando takes a quick gasp of air as he takes in a few words of advice from Coach Segudovic at a home meet.



■ Left, Zach Dumezich eagerly faces his competition from West Side in a 125 pound bout.

■ Right, Alex Reyes, senior, tastes victory as he is named winner, signifying a hard-fought battle.



■ Left, Hugo Torres tries to get around his contender to score a takedown.





Players to Watch

Left, Junior Aaron Morando fires the ball down to second base during warm-ups before the Clark game. Morando, as the catcher, is an integral part of the Oiler team.



Coach

Coach Lenz has been the Oilers' varsity coach for three years.

Stats - Whiting vs...

Morgan Twp	W	Munster	L
Westville	W/W	Hammond High	L
Lake Station	W	Bishop Noll	L
Lew Wallace	W	Gavit	W
Kankakee V.	L	Griffith	L
Hanover Cntl.	W	Roosevelt	W
E.C. Central	W/W	Munster	L
Highland	L	Calumet	L
Morton	L	Hammond	W
Calumet	W	MC Marquette	L
Andrean	L	Wash Twp.	L
Lowell	L	Hebron	L
Clark L.		South Central	L

Sectionals vs. Washington Twp. L
Final Record 13-15

■ Below, The 2003 Varsity Boys Baseball Team. Sitting: Tommy Gresko, David Franco, Michael Keith, George Aponte, and Luis Neri. Kneeling: Sixto Arredondo, Drew Muratori, Vinnie Donovan, Greg Koval, Matt Kobli. Standing: Trainer Amy Hanneman, Coach Lenz, Jason Flores, Tino Cuba, Kyle Koliboski, Aaron Morando, Coach Segudovic.



VARSITY Baseball

As American as apple pie

■ Baseball: America's favorite past time. Through all the good times and the bad, baseball is something we can always look forward to when spring comes. During the pre-season, the team was ranked tenth in the state. After a good turnout of 17 (up from last year's 11), the team came close to a winning record. The team lost to our crosstown rival, the Clark Pioneers, but played tough against Munster, losing by only one, 3-4. Sectionals weren't as successful as the rest of the season, but the team is losing only five seniors, and full of underclassmen who have gained experience for next year.

■ Below, In his pep talk between pitches, Aaron Morando tells senior Vinnie Donovan "You got to get it over the plate."



■ Left, "Safe!" Senior Tino Cuba throws the ball back to the pitcher after the ump calls the runner safe during a play.

■ Right, "Get set, it's coming to you!" Freshman Tommy Gresko gets ready to make a play.





■ Above, "Swing batter, batter, batter, swing!" Tino Cuba makes contact with the ball. Cuba plays catcher and pitcher, as well as infield.



■ Above, "Run Greg, run!" Senior Greg Koval hustles to make it to first base before the pitcher throws him out. Koval serves as an outfielder.



■ Above, "Strike em' out!" Pitcher Vinnie Donovan winds up to throw a strike right down the middle.

■ Below, "Batter up!" Freshman Kyle Koliboski takes a practice swing so he can add points for his team. Koliboski played infield and outfield.



■ Above, "Strike Three!" Sophomore Sixto Arredondo strikes out the batter during the Munster game. This is his second year on varsity where he plays pitcher and shortstop.



■ Above, Freshman Jason Flores steps up to the plate to take a swing at getting a hit. Flores is catcher and plays outfield.

■ Right, As his teammates look on, senior David Franco gets set in the box so he can get on base for his Oiler team.

■ Below, "Let's go team!" Coach Lenz and Coach Segudovic get their varsity starters pumped up before their game against Munster.



■ Above, "Dig those feet!" Second baseman Tommy Gresko attempts to take a huge lead off first base.



■ Above, "Get ready for that baseball!" Kyle Koliboski dares the ball to come his way during the Clark game.





History

For the first time ever the team went to state.



Coach

Coach Laub is the only head softball coach WHS has had.



Seniors

Lauren Curosh and Amanda Raczk say good-bye.

Stats- Whiting vs...

Lake Station	W	Lowell	L
Griffith	W	Clark	W
K.V.	W	Gavit	L
E.C. Central	W	Munster	L
Calumet	W	LaCrosse	W
M.C. Marquette	W	Hammond	W
Highland	L	Noll	L
Morton	L	River Forest	W
Morgan Twp.	W	Clark	W
Hanover Central	L	North Newton	W
Andrean	L	Kouts	W
Wheeler	L	Westville	W
South Central	W		

Sectionals

Morgan Twp.	W
LaCrosse	W
Hebron	W

Regionals

Eastside	W
Pioneer	W

State

Eastern	L
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Final Record 21-10

VARSITY Softball

Lady Oilers crowned Regional Champions

Fulfilling goals and exceeding expectations

■ This softball season was one filled with hurdles and highlights. The regular season was difficult, as it was plagued with illness, injury and personal hardship. Despite skepticism by critics, through all of this the team stuck together. By sectional time, except for one injury, nearly the whole team was in full swing. The Lady Oilers played their hearts out and won the sectional title that avenged last year's loss. They then competed for the regional crown and achieved their pre-season goal of winning the regional. This was a momentous achievement because they became the first Whiting High School softball to make a trip to state. Although they lost the semi-final game to the eventual state champs, Eastern, the Lady Oilers had certainly nothing to be upset about. They had achieved things that no other Whiting team had done before. They made a trip to state, and senior Lauren Curosh brought home the Class A Mental Attitude Award: the first in any sport for Whiting. This season our Lady Oilers defied all odds and proved that determination can bring success.



■ Above, The infield shares a quick hug before the presentation of the sectional trophy.



■ Above, The team waits anxiously for the game to start as the opponent warms up.



■ Left, The Martinez sisters, junior Maria and freshman Leann, pose with the championship trophy.



■ Right, The Oilers celebrate their Class 1A Regional Championship victory after their nail-biting 16 inning win over Pioneer.



■ Left, Amanda Raczkla congratulates Lauren Curosh after an exciting victory over Hebron for the sectional title.



■ Above, Maria Martinez watches as junior Laura Simunic tracks down a fly ball.

■ Left, Coach Drangmeister and Coach Laub talk strategy before a big game.



■ The 2002-2003 Lady Oiler Regional Champs: First Row: Holly Plemons, Stacy Combs, Amanda Raczkla, Maria Martinez, Lauren Curosh, Alex Simunic, Laura Simunic, Niomi Franco. Second Row: Becky Noojin, Stephanie Puhek, Patty Mora. Third Row: Coach Drangmeister, Stat Man Johnny McNinch, Coach Laub, Liz Curosh, Brittany Malkowski, Leann Martinez, Jessica Sabol, Principal Dirk Flick, Trainer Amy Fischer, Coach Stewart.



■ Above, Catcher Leann Martinez makes a throw down to second base.



■ Above, The team huddles before the start of the next inning. An inning in the field never began until the Lady Oilers teamed it up and motivated each other.



■ Right, Standing on third base, sophomore Stephanie Puhek and Coach Laub go over what she should do in every situation.



■ Right, Maria Martinez waits for the throw to third as the Oilers attempt to pick-off an opposing Highland player.



History

The Lady Oilers make the move to the Clark Sectional.



Coach

Four-year coach
Chris Tornai remains
head coach.



Underclassmen

Freshmen and
sophomores
dominate the team.



At the Spring Sports Awards Night, Coach Tornai named junior Margaret Anthony (pictured) Most Valuable Player; junior Katie Holland Best Mental Attitude; and sophomore Sara O'Drobinak Most Improved.

Stats - Whiting vs...

Griffith	L	West Side	W
Clark	L	Bishop Noll	L
Lew Wallace	W	Hanover Cen.	L
Hammond	W	Wheeler	L
Kankakee Val.	L	Morton	L
River Forest	L	Calumet	L

Conference Tournament 0-3 Sectionals L

■ The 2003 Tennis Team. Front Row: Katie Holland, Lauren Wrzalinski, Margaret Anthony, Sara O'Drobinak, Angie Galaviz. Back Row: Coach Chris Tornai, Allison Stangel, Misty Percianoff, Danielle Vega, Amanda Bayless and Valarie Reyes.



■ Left, Valarie Reyes, freshman, follows through on her forehand at the home courts, Whiting Park. Reyes was one of four freshmen of this year's team.

VARSITY Tennis

Our favorite part
of the game is...

...having the opportunity to play.

■ Tennis: The perfect combination of violent action taking place in an atmosphere of total tranquility. Although the courts at Whiting Park, which have railroad tracks to its back, are far from tranquil, the Lady Oiler tennis team still spent hours perfecting their serves and backhands. Led by captain junior Margaret Anthony, the team had only four members with experience and seven with none. Coach Chris Tornai, who is in his fourth season, continues to teach, instruct and build a successful program



■ Above, Freshman Lauren Wrzalinski gets pumped up after being announced at a home match. This tradition, dubbed "High-Low" by the team, was started this season



■ Left, Amanda Bayless, junior, returns a hard-hit ball from her opponent in a varsity match at home. Bayless, who was playing for her first time, was glad she came out for the team. "At first I had my doubts," she said, "but after the first few practices I got to know everyone on the team and learn the game."



■ Above, Katie Holland, junior, concentrates on making contact on her serve. Holland was one of four returning players from the 2001-2002 season.



■ Above, Freshman Jessica Wallace keeps her eye on the ball, ensuring her serve will be an ace. Wallace, who began the season with no experience on the junior varsity, stepped up when the Oilers needed her to and played varsity.

■ Below, Junior Margaret Anthony is ready and waiting for her opponent's serve.



■ Left, Allison Stangel, junior, anticipates the ball placement as she sidesteps left. Stangel, who had the most experience at three years, finished the season with a team-high 9-6 record at the Number 2 singles spot.

■ Right, Freshman Angie Galaviz jumps to get a good stroke on her forehand. Galaviz played most of her first season on the varsity level. A versatile player, Galaviz played doubles for most of the season, but played Number 3 singles also.



■ Left, "Game, set, match!" Sophomore Sara O'Drobinak watches her ball land inbounds, giving her the point and winning the match.

■ Right, Doubles team Danielle Vega and Misty Percianoff shake hands with their Morton opponents.





New Territory

This year the Oilers play at the all new Lost Marsh course.



New Additions

New to the team is freshman Ryan Lewandowski.



The Coach

Coach Herochik returns as the coach for her third year.



"My most memorable moment was when I nearly got hit by Eric Winn's slice during my freshman year. Also I once was attacked by an enraged goose at Lake Hills."

- Winston Kotzan, senior

Stats - Whiting vs...

Lake Station	224-230 (W)
Calumet	224-191 (L)
Wheeler	213-161 (L)
Lowell	227-180 (L)
Calumet Invitational	(L,L,L)
Munster	229-156 (L)
Hammond High	204-254 (W)
Bishop Noll	225-201 (L)
Kankakee	219-176 (L)
Clark	219-234 (W)
Griffith	230-225 (L)
Highland	219-161 (L)
Conference Tourney	423 (12th place)
River Forest	206-225 (W)
EC Central	231-197 (L)
Sectionals	13 / 14
Overall Record	4 - 12
Conference Record	4 - 11



"Golf this year has been a lot of fun. We've had our ups and downs like any team, but I think the ups outweigh the downs. We have progressed since the beginning of the season. It has been a challenge and a preview of what's to come if we continue at this rate."

- Matt Elza, sophomore

Golf ... always meeting par standards

No bogey too high!

■ This season the Oiler golf team battled another prolonged Chicagoland winter, but a little frost was not enough to stop our tough golfers. With lower average scores led by sophmores Josh Cornell, Matt Elza and Justin Mis, the Oilers drastically improved their game from last year's season and were able to conquer wins against Hammond High, Lake Station, and rival the Clark Pioneers.

In addition to improved scores, this year the Oilers have relocated to a new home course. The all-new Lost Marsh 72-par course in Hammond opened its front nine holes on May 1, 2003. This challenging course features narrow fairways, rough roughs and some messy marshes. Be ready to drive for show and putt for dough!



■ Above, Talk about golf course rage! Winston Kotzan, Josh Cornell and Matt Elza duel in a Star Wars-style golf club fight.



■ Left, Josh Cornell checks out his brand new Nike driver after his tee-off. Note the scenery of the new Lost Marsh course and the Chicago Skyline in the distance.



■ Above, The 2002-2003 Golf Team. Top Row: Sophomore Chris Hartman, sophomore Kurt Banas, senior Winston Kotzan and Coach Kathy Herochik. Bottom Row: Sophomore Josh Cornell, sophomore Justin Mis, freshman Ryan Lewandowski, sophomore Matt Elza and senior TJ Fusner.



■ Left, Matt Elza takes a rest in the golf cart, wondering whether he should practice on his driver's license test or win the big game.

■ Below, Kurt Banas follows through on his shot to the green.



■ Above, Chris Hartman and Kurt Banas total their scores. They seem quite satisfied with their game.



■ Above, Winston Kotzan has full concentration as he makes this unseemingly difficult putt.



■ Above, Ryan Lewandowski takes some practice putts before the match.



■ Above, Justin Mis estimates how far to chip the ball.



History

This summer the girls went to camp to learn new stunts and improve their skills.

Coach

"I had a great time this year with all the girls. To my seniors, you will be missed, but to my girls coming back, I can't wait!"—Coach Kim Rodgers



Seniors

This year Annie Rodriguez was the captain of the varsity squad.



■ Above, The varsity squad talks about a lift at practice.



■ Above, The girls cross their fingers at a game, hoping the free throw will be good.

■ Below, Jackie Diaz and Miriam Lopez take a break to smile for a quick pic.



■ Below, Some of the JV girls get together before a basketball game.



Cheerleading

1...2...3...Kick up those memories!

■ This year in cheerleading the squad lost some girls, but gained some girls as well. They started off a good summer with nine girls going to camp and learning new cheers and lifts. For basketball season the new additions included seniors Miriam Lopez and Jackie Diaz, and junior Margaret Anthony. The JV squad was also chosen mid-year. All in all the season was a good one. Captain Annie Rodriguez said, "Good luck to all the girls; I will miss you."

■ Below, The Varsity Cheerleaders. Back Row: Coach Kim Rodgers, Margaret Anthony, Becky Wajvoda, Isa Reynoso, Annie Rodriguez and Mallory Kertis. Front Row: Sara O'Drobinak, Holly Plemons, Jackie Diaz and Miriam Lopez.



■ Above, The JV squad starts practice with some push-ups.



■ Above, Varsity girls model their new warm-ups.



■ Above, Sophomore Sara O'Drobinak and junior Holly Plemons work on their "sit lift".



■ Above, Annie Rodriguez, Holly Plemons and junior Becky Wajvoda show off their muscles.

■ Below, The varsity cheerleaders perform for the crowd at half-time.



■ Above, Warming up with stretches is the JV squad.



■ Above, Up close and personal with the the varsity girls.



■ Above, The JV Cheerleaders. Top Row: Alyssa Chavez and Daniela Magallanes. Bottom Row: Jessica Wallace, Samantha Lessentine, Coach Kim Rodgers, Jill Furto and Jen Furto.



■ Above, The squad enthusiastically cheers the football team onto a victory.



■ Left, The varsity cheerleaders show that they are a close group.

Seniors' Highlights

■ "We had a great time cheering our senior year. We will miss everyone very much. Good luck next year in everything you do."

Jackie Diaz and Miriam Lopez, seniors



■ Above, Freshman Hugo Torres stops his opponent dead in his tracks. Torres gained a lot of experience on varsity this year.

Stats - Whiting vs...

South Central	L	6-16
Morton	W	27-8
Wheeler	W	14-0
Lake Station	L	6-36
Gavit	L	0-22
Calumet	L	0-22
Noll	W	30-12

Final Record 3-4

JV Football

Experience is the best teacher

■ After a shortened JV season last year (the team only competed in three games due to a combination of a small number of players and injuries) this year's JV squad was ready for action. Headed by Jim Verta and Willie Greer, the team was not only able to play a full schedule, but also gained much experience in the process. Many of the JV players also played key roles on the varsity squad as well. With wins over such teams as Morton, Wheeler, and Noll, the team is looking forward to next year and improving upon this year's record.

■ Below, The 2002 JV Football Team. Kneeling: Kyle Koliboski, Luis Neri, Zach Dumezich, Andrew Gallegos, Joseph Ramos. Middle Row: Ricky Wallace, Jason Flores, Ryan Knazur, Mike Keith, Adam Korman, Garreth Boland. Top Row: Ryan Terry, Ryan Lewandowski, Matt Kobli, Richie Pachowicz, Luis Cossyleon, and Coach Willie Greer. Not Pictured: Head Coach Jim Verta.



■ Above left, Freshman Kyle Koliboski gets some advice before going back out onto the field.



■ Left, The JV team listens intently as Coach Verta calls a quick timeout at a crucial moment in the game.

■ Right, Junior Ryan Knazur stares down the competition.



Below, The JV Volleyball Team. Back Row: Coach Nichols, Jessica Sabol, Megan Kalman, Bridget Weller, Liz Curosh, Jen Furto, Angela Smith. Front Row: Margaret Anthony, Angie Galaviz, Misty Percianoff, Niomi Franco, Leann Martinez, Vanessa Franco, Jill Furto.



■ This year the junior varsity finished the season fairly well with a winning record of 18-14, with two wins in the Lake Athletic Conference Tournament. The season was a growing experience for the girls both on and off the court. "This year was such a fun and exciting experience. My team became my sisters, and I think that was why we had a winning season!" said Liz Curosh. "The coaches stressed teamwork. Their dedication to us made being on the team well worth the hard work in the summer. It was a great season!" said Leann Martinez.



Jen Furto



Jessica Sabol

JV Volleyball

Setting up a winning season

Stats - Whiting vs...

Wash. Twp.	L	Horace Mann	W
E.C. Central	W	Clark	W
River Forest	W	Kouts	W
Merrillville	L	Gavit	L
Lake Station	L	Munster	L
Morgan Twp.	W	Bishop Noll	L
Calumet	W	Hammond High	W
LaCrosse	W	Gary West Side	W
Highland	L	Hebron	L
Morton	L	Griffith	W
Wheeler	W	Gary Roosevelt	W
Andean	L	Lowell	L
River Forest	W	Hanover Cent.	L
Tourney		LAC Tourney	
Lake Station	W	Lake Station	W
River Forest	W	Lowell	W
Westville	W	Bishop Noll	L
Boone Grove	L		

River Forest

Tourney

Lake Station	W	Lake Station	W
River Forest	W	Lowell	W
Westville	W	Bishop Noll	L
Boone Grove	L		

LAC Tourney

Lake Station	W	Lake Station	W
River Forest	W	Lowell	W
Westville	W	Bishop Noll	L
Boone Grove	L		

Final Record

Overall 18-14

Conference 4-8

Non-Conference 14-6

"The JV is very proud of the success we had this year due to all of our hard work. We're looking forward to next year!"

--Niomi Franco, sophomore



Co-Captain

Freshman
Liz Curosh



Coach

This was Coach Nichols' fourth year at the helm.



Co-Captain

Freshman
Leann Martinez



■ Above, Freshman Ryan Lewandowski takes his aim as he attempts to get a free throw in for two points.

Stats - Whiting vs...

Wash. Twp.	L	Calumet	L
Clark	L	North Newton	L
Lake Station	W	Gavit	L
Noll	L	MC Marquette	L
Morgan Twp.	L	Westville	L
Morton	L	Grant Park	L
Hanover Cntl.	L	River Forest	L
Griffith	L	Hebron	L
Lowell	W	Clark	L

Final Record 2-16

Below, The 2002-2003 JV Boys Basketball Team. Kneeling: Victor Sahagun, Ryan Lewandowski, Angel Alvarez, Andrew Sherer, Matt Elza, Drew Muratori. Standing: Coach Rodgers, Jason Flores, Andrew Gallegos, Trainer Amy Fischer.



■ "1, 2, 3, T-E-A-M!" Above, Coach Rodgers gets his JV team fired up before the start of their first game.

JV BOYS Basketball

We didn't lose--we just ran out of time.

■ Practicing long hours in the gym and working out during the pre-season really paid off for the junior varsity basketball team. Despite having a losing record, the JV basketball team stepped up this year and really showed us what they were made of. The team kept up with their opponents in every game and may have won more games if the clock wouldn't have run down so fast. The team full of freshman had a learning season and a few even had the opportunity to play some varsity. Though they didn't win many games, their scores were much better than last year's and many of the games were close.

"Our JV basketball team had a losing season, but we had a fun time. It was a valuable learning experience and we look forward to next year," said freshman Tommy Gresko.

■ Below, "I believe I can fly!" Freshman Angel Alvarez shows off his flying ability as he easily puts a lay-up into the hoop.



■ Above, Freshman Andrew Sherer goes up, up, and away as he makes a jump shot for the Oilers.



■ Below, Tommy Gresko concentrates on finding an open player.





Coach

This year Jen Cantrell became JV coach.

"Our team worked very well together and I think we did well. Jen was a great addition to the JV team."

—Stephanie Puhck, sophomore

"We had lots of fun working as a team. Jen helped us to come together and play as a team."

—Vanessa Franco, sophomore

JV GIRLS Basketball

Starting over has never been easy...

■ Along with the varsity basketball team, the JV girls also underwent a few changes this year. New players joined the team, and along with the new varsity head coach, a new JV coach, **Jen Cantrell**, followed. Though the Lady Oilers had a tough season, they came together as a team. Coach Cantrell brought the team closer, and though their record may not show it, the season was a good one.

■ Below, The Lady Oilers 2002-2003 JV Basketball Team. Kneeling: **Leann Martinez**, **Ashley Oswald**, **Gabriela Cardenas**, **Liz Curosh**, **Alex Simunic**, **Amelia Bach**. Standing: **Stephanie Puhck**, **Angelica Galaviz**, **Vanessa Franco**, **Niomi Franco**, **Sasha Solis**, **Coach Jen Cantrell**.



Stats- Whiting vs...

Clark	W	Griffith	L
Hammond High	L	Gavit	L
Westville	W	Clark	W
Bishop Noll	L	Hebron	L
Wash. Twp.	L	Lake Station	W
Morton	L	Marquette	L
Andran	L	Calumet	L
Morgan Twp.	L	Wheeler	L
Lowell	L		

Final Record: 4-13



■ Above, **Sasha Solis** dribbles to the basket to score for the Lady Oilers.



■ Above, Freshmen **Amelia Bach** and **Leann Martinez** fight for the ball against the Lady Bearcat defense.

■ Below, Freshman **Gabby Cardenas** brings the ball down the court.



■ Above, Freshman **Angie Galaviz** gets ready to shoot a free-throw.

Whiting Oilers

Sunday

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Tuesday

December 2002

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Safe Prom
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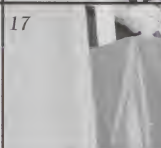
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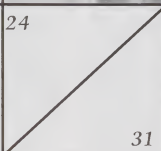
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Senior
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Whiting
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Activities 2002-2003

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



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*Cinco de Mayo
12:00*

*Spring Production
"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"*

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*1/2 Day
Pre-Prom 5:30
Prom 6:45
Villa Cesare*

16

Great America



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*Millennium
Games*

23



27

*Senior Banquet
6:00
Hammond Marina*

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*Graduation
Rehearsal
9:00*

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NOTES:

A Day in the Life

Homecoming

Showing off our Oiler Spirit...



Above, Freshmen Homecoming Attendants Jessica Cruz and Luis Neri get ready to smile for the crowd.



Above, Holly Plemons and Jason Trinidad proudly represent the junior class.

Homecoming was alive with *Oiler Spirit* this year. The whole week was a success. The juniors walked away with the Spirit Stick, and the football team beat Calumet High School. Greg Koval was crowned Homecoming King. "I had a good time at the dance. It was an honor being crowned Homecoming King, and I want to thank everyone who voted for me," Koval said. On the same note, Miriam Lopez was just as thrilled about being chosen as Homecoming Queen. "Winning Homecoming Queen was one of the happiest moments of my life, and I would just like to thank everyone who voted for me," Lopez responded.



Above, Mr. Cain thanks his faithful managers for all their hard work through the season at the pep assembly.



Above, Homecoming King Greg Koval and Queen Miriam Lopez enjoy their new reign.



Above, Sophomores Jenalee Thomas and Victor Sahagun nervously await the parade.



Above, The Senior Homecoming Court gathers together for a group shot.



Above, Whiting High School students concentrate on perfecting their dance moves.



Above, Seniors Lauren Curosh, Ashley Sudar and Nicole Arredondo perform the traditional senior skit.



Above, Members of the sophomore class show off their decorations for all to see.



Above, Members of the junior class unveil their first place float.



Above, Cross-dress day lets these freshmen have a little fun with their wardrobe.



Above, Nicole Arredondo sits close to escort Bryan Condy.



Above, Shannon Wilson and her escort Greg Koval appear to be naturals in front of the camera.



Above, Junior Sasha Solis serves the winning point.



Above, Sophomore Sara O'Drobinak shows off her spirit.



Above, Freshmen class members decorate their award-winning hallway.

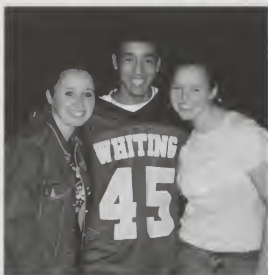


Left, Varsity volleyball members are introduced during the Homecoming Pep Rally.

Right, The junior crowd cheers as they realize they are the winners of the Homecoming Volleyball Game.



More Homecoming...





Fall Production

"A Rehearsal for Murder"



Above, Sophomore Jaime Reyes tells freshman Kaitlan Price he is having an audition.

Below, Katie Holland asks Nick Meyers why he and Karen tried to poison her during one of the high points in the play.



Below, Raising a gun to the murderer is Alex Dennison (Jaime Reyes).



In "A Rehearsal for Murder," Alex Dennison, played by sophomore Jaime Reyes attempts to solve the murder case of Monica Welles, played by junior Katie Holland. The rest of the cast included freshmen Kaitlan Price, Crystal Hobson, junior Fiona Mills-Groninger, senior Jonathan McNinch, sophomores Maria Anaya and Mandy Edge, freshmen Nick Meyers, Alycia Clemente, Laura Fentress, and Ricky Wallace.



Above, Ricky Wallace's character boldly confesses to the murder.



Above, At the end of the performance, Mandy Edge, Nick Meyers and Katie Holland take their bow.



Above, Contemplating who the murderer could be is Jonathan McNinch.



Above, Katie Holland talks about her how she wasn't upset about her first play being a "flop" but more concerned with the playwright (Jaime Reyes) as Mandy Edge and Nick Meyers listen in.



The Cast

Spring Production

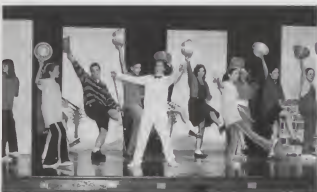
"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown"

"You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown," starred freshman Nick Meyers as Charlie Brown, WMS student Gerica Arroyo as Snoopy, freshman Garreth Boland as Linus, sophomore Danielle Vega as Lucy, sophomore Jaime Reyes as Schroeder, and sophomore Mallory Kertis as Sally. Charlie Brown and the rest of the gang showed this audience what a day in Charlie Brown's life is like.



Above, Oh no! Charlie Brown's baseball team holds their breath in hopes that Charlie Brown hits a home run.

Below, "Suppertime!" WMS student Gerica Arroyo and the cast celebrates the best time of day.



Below, Freshman Nick Meyers gets the Peanuts Gang "pumped up" for their baseball game.



Above, "You're a prince, and a prince could be king!" The whole cast sings about Charlie Brown and his good nature.



Left, Lucy (Danielle Vega) listens as Charlie Brown tells his problems to her.

Below, Practicing how to say "Happy Valentine's Day" to Lucy is Charlie Brown (Nick Meyers).



Above, Sophomore Jaime Reyes sings about Beethoven Day.

Sectionals Dance

Love and Basketball unite



Above, Demonstrating their extensive dance skills, senior Vinnie Donovan and freshman Ryan Lewandowski show what they're made of!



Above, Taking advantage of every song played, this group of freshmen, Ameila Bach, Leann Martinez, Amanda Slayton, Jason Flores and Jessica Cruz, enjoy a dance.



Left, An important part of a dance is just being with your best friends. Mandy Trent, Nicole Lyons, and Mandy's cousin take a quick picture for Candice Bartley.

Right, Knowing that this is the Sectional Sweetheart's Dance, many seize the time during slow songs to have a romantic and/or friendly moment.



Above, It is tradition for the Queen and King to dance together. Jackie Diaz and Michael Baker share their first dance as the 2003 Sectionals Royalty.



Above, The 2003 Sectional Court and Attendants. Freshmen attendants include Matt Kobli and Alyssa Chavez. Stephen Wrzalinski and Maria Anaya represent the sophomore class. The attendants voted by the juniors are Chris Prevatte and Katie Holland. The Sectionals Court consists of Michael Baker and Jackie Diaz; Jose Jimenez and Annie Rodriguez; and Mandy Trent and Dan Toleikis.





Left, This fine couple, senior Eric Curosh and junior Margaret Anthony, enjoy Eric's last sectional dance.



Right, Almost everyone present is getting their groove on to one of the new staple songs of any dance, the "Cha Cha Slide".



Above, Juniors Amanda Bayless, Becky Wajvoda, and Leticia Zacarias share a Kodak moment.



Above, Acting suave, Vincent Leckavicius, Michael Baker and Bryan Condy, seniors, show off to all the ladies in the gym.



Above, Taking a break from photographing the dance, Megan Castle (center) spends some time with fellow seniors, Jennifer Keown and Nicole Arredondo.



Above, Seniors Shannon Wilson and Lauren Curosh work the floor for most of the night at one of their last high school dances.



Above, Come and ride the train! Many upperclassmen ride the soul train the whole night through.

Right, During one of the final slow dances, juniors Ashley Zubrenic, Holly Plemons, Jennifer Keith, Sasha Solis and Maria Martinez have their own small circle dance.



Cinco de Mayo

Un Tiempo de la Celebracion



Above, During the games at Cinco de Mayo, junior Jason Trinidad ponders the puzzle in front of him.



Above, Former Whiting student Leslie Garcia places a symbol of fire in the center of the gym during a dance ritual performed at Cinco de Mayo.



Above, Freshman Alyssa Chavez pieces together a puzzle of the Mexican flag when trying to win the obstacle course for her classmates.

Contrary to popular belief, Cinco de Mayo is not a Mexican Independence Day. Instead, Mexico declared its independence from Spain on September 15, 1810. So why do so many people, including Americans, celebrate Cinco de Mayo? Well, on May 5, 1862, a Mexican army of 4,000 troops defeated a more powerful force, France. This is similar to the United States taking its stand against our mother country, England. No matter what the reason may be, Cinco de Mayo is a time for celebration, laughter, and fun. This is simply how the students in Spanish Club celebrated it this year. They had fun while learning new aspects of another culture.



Above, Seniors Miriam Lopez and Eddie Boyle lead their group in a wordsearch puzzle during one of the many festivities of that day.



Above, Freshman Matthew Kobli has a look of shock on his face after missing an attempt at the first step of the obstacle course.



Above, Sophomore Chano Garcia feels the rhythm of the drum as he plays his part in the performance.



Above, Spanish Club Sponsor Mrs. Klockan (second from right) shyly smiles as she models the accessories that belong to the Aztec tribe of dancers, Dansantes del Sol.



Above, Freshman Nisa Franco hurriedly searches through the broken piñata for a tile with the broken number five on it.



Above, Junior Sarah Brown looks "puzzled" with little time remaining.



Above, The "Whiting Tribe" was honored to participate in the native dances and happily pose for a picture with one of the dancers.



Above, While some freshmen are eating, they are captivated by the Mariachi playing music at each table during the meal.



Above, Freshmen girls Leann Martinez, Amelia Bach and Daniela Magallanes are stumped as time runs out for this game.



Above, Mike Keith takes time out of the celebration to smile for the camera with a group of lovely freshmen ladies who are also taking a break from the fun of the afternoon.



Above, Newly crowned King Vincent Leckavicius and Queen Miriam Lopez take a picture together as the royalty of Cinco de Mayo 2003.



Left, Participants of the "Whiting Tribe" join hands as they enjoy performing an eight step dance routine for the rest of the Spanish Club.



Right, As the last table to get their food, these sophomore guys look extremely ready to eat.

Prom

An Unchained Melody



Above, Junior Jenny Keith and senior Alex Reyes turn in their ballots for the prom court.



Above, Bill Sliwa and Margaret Anthony pose for a picture after being named Prince and Princess.

The sky was blue and clear, and spring was in the air. Along with springtime also comes the night most students wait for all year: prom. This year's prom was held on May 9, 2003, at Villa Cesare in Schererville. The theme was "Oh My Love" and the colors were black and silver. Margaret Anthony was crowned princess, while Bill Sliwa was prince. The Prom Queen was Sarah Rodgers and Prom King was Bryan Condy.



Above, The Junior Class Officers, Jenny Keith, Sasha Solis, Maria Martinez and Holly Plemons, wait for the announcement of the prom court.



Above, Prom Queen Sarah Rodgers and Prom King Bryan Condy are overjoyed to become prom royalty.



Above, Juniors Veronica Guevara and Jorge Torres look sharp on the dance floor.



Above, Couples enjoy a dance.



Above, Prom couples take time out before the dinner to relax and mingle.



Above, The junior girls show off their moves on the dance floor.



Above, Excited prom-goers look forward to their big night on the way to prom.



Above, Junior Brittany Malkowski and senior Vinnie Donovan take a break from dancing.



Above, Looking beautiful as always are senior Ashley Sudar and junior Katie Holland.



Above, Seniors Joy Furto and Greg Koval look through their prom favors.



Above, Junior Holly Plemons and senior Michelle Beda share a laugh on the way to Villa Cesare.



Above, Senior Tony Fernandez gets ready to "bust out the moves".



Above, Dancing the night away are junior Katie Kusbel and senior Jason O'Drobinak.



Above, Having a great time are juniors Stacy Combs and senior Vincent Leckavicius.



Left, Smiling before heading out on to the dance floor are juniors Becky Wajvoda, Katie Kusbel and Leticia Zacarias.

Millennium Games

Freshmen move to the top of the game



Above, After the medals are presented, the Class of 2006 poses for a picture.



Above, Sophomore Victor Sahagun and senior Michael Baker go one-on-one in the basketball game.

Below, Senior Michael Baker waits to get in the game.



Below, The scooter racers get ready to start the obstacle course.



Below, Sophomore Richard Pachowicz sucks up Jello for his class.

Below, Freshman Gabby Cardenas takes a time out from the action to tie her shoe.



Below, With all of that baseball experience, senior Greg Koval is ready to throw his water balloon.



Above, Senior Eric Curosh carefully prepares to drop his egg on the bull's-eye.

Below, Freshman Andrew Sherer and senior Amanda Raczka say goodbye after a tiring day at the games.





Above, The Freshmen Class celebrates after winning the softball game.



Above, The class presidents get their feathers fluffed and ready for the Presidents' Race.



Above, Sophomores Stephen Wrzalinski and Andrew Vanderbye discuss how to land their egg without breakage.



Above, Concentrating on winning the game *Uno* are juniors Amanda Bayless and Amanda Krzyston.



Above, Junior Michaelene Droski digs deep during the volleyball game.



Above, Freshman Tonya Wallace hits the ball to bring her team in the lead.



Above, Ready for the day's events, the Class of 2006 shows their spirit as they enter the track.



Above, Mrs. Mindas, freshman class co-sponsor, gives her winning class their medals.



Left, Freshman Andrew Sherer and junior Daniel Serrano battle for the basket.

Right, Working on finding a word to put down in the *Scrabble* game are sophomores Josh Cornell and Kurt Banas.



Clubs

Life after 3:05



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Choir. First Row: Mandy Edge, Mallory Kertis, Kathy Pachowicz, Misty Percianoff, Esmeralda Patino. Second Row: Amanda Krzyston, Angelic Cruz, Kaitlan Price, Jaime Reyes, David Finegan. Third Row: Bridget Weller, Jonte Burton, Nallely DeLeon, Laura Fentress. Fourth Row: Crystal Hobson, Arica Clayton, Heather Lawson. Director: Mrs. Kuzniar.



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Team

Academic Team. First Row: Eric Curosh, Eddie Boyle, Vanessa Franco, Liz Curosh, Andy Vanderbye, Leann Martinez. Second Row: Winston Kotzan, Margaret Anthony, Katie Holland, Nicole Arredondo, Val Snyder. Third Row: Jessica Sabol, Allison Stangel, Fiona Mills-Groninger, Jennifer Anderson, Justin Mis.



B P A

BPA. First Row: Officers Sasha Solis, Lauren Curosh, Joy Furto and Vanessa Franco. Also Nicole Lyons, and Liz Morando. Second Row: Margaret Anthony, Sara O'Drobinak, Mandy Trent, Sarah Polak, Annie Rodriguez. Third Row: Arica Clayton, Allison Stangel, Justin Mis, Lucy Rodriguez.



S t u d e n t Council

Student Council. First Row: Vice-President Margaret Anthony, President Lauren Curosh, Secretary Bryan Condy, Treasurer Nicole Lyons. Second Row: Vanessa Franco, Jenny Keith, Katie Holland. Third Row: Joy Furto, Johnny McNinch, Eric Curosh, Justin Mis.



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Spanish Club. President Hugo Torres, Vice-President Jenny Keith, Treasurer Lauren Curosh, Secretary Bryan Condy.



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Environmental Club. President Margaret Anthony, Vice-President Lauren Curosh, Secretary Jessica Sabol, Treasurer Jenny Keith.



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Booster Club. President Joy Furto, Vice-President Sasha Solis, Secretary Annie Rodriguez, Co-Treasurers Holly Plemons and Jessica Sabol.



The WHS Band. First Row: Andy Vanderbye, T.J. Fusner, Nick Meyers, Fiona Mills-Groninger, Adam Korman. Second Row: Mandy Edge, Ashley Oswald, Ricky Wallace, Garreth Boland.



Stats and Managers. First Row: Jessica Sabol, Ashley Sudar, Katie Holland, Laura Simunic. Second Row: Megan Kalman, Alex Simunic, Allison Stangel, Johnny McNinch.



German Club. Front Row: Officers Johnny McNinch, Vinnie Donovan, Liz Morando, Fiona Mills-Groninger. Second Row: Katie Holland, Amanda Bayless, Laura Simunic, Sasha Solis. Third Row: Jennifer Anderson. Fourth Row: Winston Kotzan, Rusty Meyers.

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Science Olympiad Team. First Row: Ryan Terry, Eddie Boyle, Vanessa Franco, Andy Vanderbye, Stephen Wrzalinski. Second Row: Jackie Perez, Margaret Anthony, Tommy Gresko, Fiona Mills-Groninger, Amy Mora, Nick Suarez. Third Row: Jessica Sabol, Greg Koval, Eric Curosh, Matt Kobli, Hugo Torres, Justin Mis.

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Web Club. Arica Clayton, Josh Cornell, Margaret Anthony.

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National Honor Society First Row: Officers Greg Koval, Johnny McNinch, Michelle Beda, Bryan Condy, Shannon Wilson. Second Row: Ashley Sudar, Winston Kotzan, Holly Plemons, Maria Martinez, Brittany Malkowski, Jenny Keith, Margaret Anthony. Third Row: Jessica Sabol, Lauren Curosh, Allison Stangel, Becca Papach, Fiona Mills-Groninger.



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Staff

The Tattler Staff. First Row: Editor Katie Holland, Lay-out Editor Allison Stangel, Stephanie Mikulski, Liz Downen. Second Row: Margaret Anthony, Shannon Wilson, Holly Plemons, Sasha Solis. Third Row: Sarah Rodgers, Jessica Sabol, Val Snyder.



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Staff

The Reflector Staff. First Row: Margaret Anthony, Editor Ashley Sudar, Megan Castle. Second Row: Lauren Curosh, Shannon Wilson, Katie Holland Jenny Keith, Vanessa Franco, Winston Kotzan. Third Row: Sarah Rodgers, Jessica Sabol, Justin Mis, Allison Stangel.

Whiting Oilers

Sunday

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Tuesday

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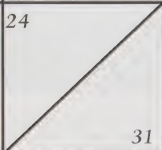
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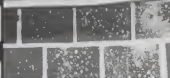
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Work concession stand
5:30 p.m.



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Ashley's Birthday Party
7:00 p.m.

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Work
4-9

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Buy gift



28
Calculus study session
7:00 p.m.



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Baby-sit
6:30

NOTES:

A Day in the Life

Administration & Staff

Working for the benefit of us all



Superintendent
Dr. Sandra Martinez



2002-2003 School Board
Trustees



Principal
Mr. Dirk Flick



School Counselor
Mr. Robert Klosek



High School Office Staff
Mrs. Kobli, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Leyba



Truancy Officer
Mr. Bruce Stewart



Whiting Central
Office Staff



Nurse
Mrs. Ernestine Sanchez



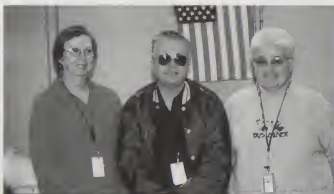
Technology Staff
James Buehring & "Bigg" Don Kaminsky



Cafeteria Staff
Cindy Licciardone, Director



Maintenance Crew



Bus Drivers

Operations Staff
Leta Fransisco &
Thelma Wright



Faculty & Staff

Making a difference today, tomorrow, and in the future



Ms. Baxter
Special Education
Teacher;
All around volunteer
11 Years



Mr. Cain
Communication
Systems; Copy
Prod; Middle School;
Head Football Coach;
Freshmen Class
Co-sponsor
16 Years



Ms. Drangmeister
Gov./Economics;
Psych./Soc.;
Current Problems;
Class of 2003 Sponsor;
Student Council Advisor
Assistant Softball Coach
3 Years



Mrs. Elza
Detention and
Saturday School
Supervisor;
Substitute Teacher
4 Years



Ms. Flaris
Advanced English
12; English 12;
English Skills;
English-Foreign
Language Department
Chairperson
18 Years



Mrs. Fritz
Physical Education;
Health; Middle
School
28 Years



Miss Guaccio
Advanced English
11; English 10 & 11
12 Years



Mrs. Herochik
Algebra I; Calculus;
Geometry; Golf Coach;
Academic Team Co-
Sponsor; Co-Sponsor
of Class of 2004;
Math Academic Team
Sponsor
8 Years



Ms. Hylek
Advanced English
10; Speech; Tattler;
Reflector
6 Years



Mrs. Kłochan
Spanish I-IV
Spanish Club Sponsor
12 Years



Mrs. Kuzniar
Choir
Nathan Hale
2 Years



Mr. Laub
Algebra II
Athletic Director
Softball Coach
Math Department Head
30 Years



Mrs. Lemon-Harder
Acc.I, II; Business
Law/Management;
Adv. Comp. App.
Middle School
BPA/Web Club Sponsor
20 Years



Mr. Lenz
Algebra I; Pre-
Algebra; Invest-
gative Geometry
Var. Basketball &
Var. Baseball Coach
7 Years



Mr. Long
Chemistry I,II;
Earth/Space;
NCA; Science Olympiad,
Science Academic Team,
Class of 2005 Sponsor
7 Years



Mrs. Merrill

German I, II, III,
IV; German Club



Mrs. Mindas

Art I,II; Ceramics/
Crafts; Middle School;
Class of 2006 Co-
Sponsor; Booster
Club Sponsor;
Fine Arts Academic
Team Sponsor
13 Years



Mrs. Moskalick

Special Education
Aide
5 Years



Mr. Moynihan

Advanced English 9;
English 9,10;
English Academic Team
Senior Class Co-Sponsor
Cross Country Coach
7 Years



Mr. Nichols

Biology I,II;
Academic Team,
Science Olympiad,
Class of 2005 Sponsor;
Head Volleyball Coach
8 Years



Mr. Pecher

Nathan Hale,
Middle School,
High School Band
3 Years



Mrs. Reyes

Special Education
Aide
2 Years



Mr. Romero

Computers in Design
and Production;
Manufacturing; Middle
School; Assistant
Athletic Director;
Booster Club Sponsor
1 Year



Mr. Segudovic

Health; Physical
Education; Middle
School; Football
Defensive Coordinator;
Wrestling Head Coach;
Assistant Baseball Coach
6 Years



Ms. Sheldon

Librarian; Class of 2004
Co-Sponsor
35 Years



Mr. Sorota

Physical Science;
Pre-Calculus;
Math Skills;
Physics
38 Years



Mr. Vrabel

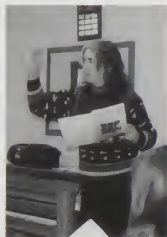
U.S. History;
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31 Years



Above, Mrs. Lemon-Harder
assists a student.



Above, Coach Segudovic takes a moment away from the
gym and classroom to enjoy the annual Millennium Games.

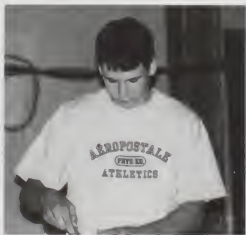


Above, Directing the high
school choir is Mrs. Kuzniar.

Class of 2006



Above, The Sophomore Class Officers: **Angelica Galaviz**, vice-president; **Matthew Kobli**, president; **Daniela Magallanes**, secretary; and **Cassandra Buchler**, treasurer.





Freshmen

A first time for everything



Natasha
Adams



Angel
Alvarez



George
Aponte



Ameha
Bach



April
Benninghoff



Garreth
Boland



Melinda
Braden



Cassandra
Buehler



Jonte
Burton



Gabriela
Cardenas



Alyssa
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Luis
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Jessica
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Elizabeth
Curosh



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Laura
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Jason
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Angelica
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Heather
Lawson

Class of '06



Samantha
Lessentine



Ryan
Lewandowski



Braulio
Lopez



Above, Members of Mr. Moynihan's freshmen Choice class proudly display their award-winning door during the Red Ribbon Week contest.



Daniela
Magallanes



Leann
Martinez



Nicholas
Myers



Patricia
Mora



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Luis
Neri



Kaitlan
Price



Alexander
Pushkarovich



Joseph
Ramos



Valarie
Reyes



Amanda
Rodriguez



Tiffany
Sanders



Yvonne
Sanders



Andrew
Sherer



Alexandra
Simunic



Amanda
Slayton



Nicholas
Suarez



Hugo
Torres



Sandra
Tustison



Jessica
Wallace



Richard
Wallace



Tonya
Wallace



David
Wright



Lauren
Wrzalski

Class of 2005



Above, The Sophomore Class Officers: **Rebecca Noojin**, treasurer; **Maria Anaya**, secretary; **Sara O'Drobinak**, vice-president; and **Vanessa Franco**, president.





Sophomores

So close, yet so far



Maria
Anaya



Sixto
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Kurt
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Jason
Berryman



Arica
Clayton



Joshua
Cornell



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Nallely
DeLeon



Amanda
Edge



Matthew
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Michael
Espinoza



David
Finegan



Tina
Finley



Niomi
Franco



Vanessa
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Jennifer
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Christopher
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Carol
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Justin
Mis



Fernando
Munoz



Rebecca
Noojin



Sara
O'Drobinak



Ashley
Oswald

Class of '05



Above, These sophomores look engrossed in their work as they try to finish the chapter review before the end of the hour.



Above, After reading *A Separate Peace*, Advanced English 10 students celebrate their own winter carnival.



Kathy
Pachowicz



Richard
Pachowicz



Esmeralda
Patino



Misty
Percianoff



Jacklyn
Perez



Stephanie
Puhek



Pedro
Quesada



Jaime
Reyes



Eugenio
Roman



Victor
Sahagun



Cristina
Santos



Nathaniel
Serna



Angela
Smith



Ryan
Terry



Jenalee
Thomas



Andrew
Vanderbye



Danielle
Vega



Erica
Velazquez



Bridget
Weller



Stephen
Wrzalinski



Above, No, you're not seeing double...Twins Jill and Jen Furto cheer the Oilers on to VICTORY!

Class of 2004



Above, The Junior Class Officers: Jennifer Keith, president; Maria Martinez, vice-president; Sasha Solis, secretary; and Holly Plemons, treasurer.





Juniors

Almost to the top



Jennifer
Anderson



Margaret
Anthony



Russell
Atteberry



Amanda
Bayless



Eric
Breden



Sarah
Brown



Belen
Castelan



Carla
Cervantes



Tom
Chambers



Jessica
Collings



Stacy
Combs



Meaghan
Cook



Fernando
Cornejo



Brian
Dabrowa



Elizabeth
Downen



Michaelene
Droski



Andrea
Dunston



Veronica
Guevara



Patricia
Hart



James
Hartman



Katie
Holland



Jennifer
Keith



Ryan
Knazur



Amanda
Krzyston



Katherine
Kusbel



Brittany
Malkowski



Enka
Martinez



Maria
Martinez



Stephanie
Mikulski



Fiona Mills
Groninger

Class of '04



Emmanuel
Miramontes



Aaron
Morando



Rebecca
Papach



Above, These juniors take a much needed break after decorating their hallway for Homecoming Week 2002.



Cecilia
Paramo



Holly
Plemons



Christopher
Prevatte



Isabela
Reynoso



Sheila
Rodriguez



Jessica
Sabol



Nicole
Sanchez



Manuel
Santos



Daniel
Serrano



Laura
Simunic



Philip D.
Slayton



Sasha
Solis



Allison
Stangel



Kiley
Strickland



William
Thomas



Jorge
Torres



Jason
Trinidad



Jacob
Turner



Yolanda
Velazquez



Rachel
Villarreal



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Rebecca
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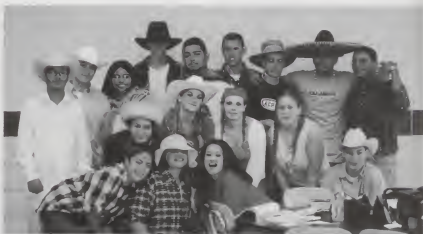


Ashley
Zubrenic

Class of 2003



Above, The Senior Class Officers: Winston Kotzan, president; Sarah Rodgers, vice-president; Shannon Wilson, treasurer; and Lauren Curosh, secretary.





Seniors

Class of

2003

"I am not afraid of
tomorrow,
For I have seen yesterday,
And I love today."

*Class Colors: Lavender, Light Blue,
Ivory*

Class Flower: Tulip



Nicole Antonia Arredondo
"Niki, Ollie, Nic"

Activities: Cheerleading 2 1/2, Mar March 3, Environmental Club 1/4, Spanish 1 1/2, 4, Class Officer 2, Academics. T. and 10 Girls State Delegate 3, Who's Who 1, Homecoming Court 1/4
Likes: "NOSTIC" Readers, Remembrance 7/100, pizza, anything purple, ice cream
English academics: team
Dislikes: Phony people, spiders, needles
Future Plans: Go to college, become a podiatrist or physical therapist, and be happy.



Michael Wayne Baker
"Baker, Hill"

Activities: Football 1-3; Basketball 1/2; Wrestling 4; Spanish Club 2/4; Sectionals Court 4; Sectionals King 4
Likes: #13, the color orange, having fun hanging out with my friends, sports
Dislikes: I can't think of anything I dislike
Future Plans: Have as much fun as I possibly can, go to school, get a job, make money, and get whatever I want.



**Candice June Murray
Bartley**

Activities: Booster Club 4, Spanish Club 2/4
Likes: Summer, gold jewelry, pickles, the colors baby blue and purple, water, * stickers, Tupac, Tennessee, my eyes, flowers, animals, laying out, Fridays, walking, things that are green, laughing, my friends, the Rock, Van Dora
Dislikes: Waking up early, snow, cold weather, listening to the rules, rude and loud people, Whitting, pollution, police, people that start rumors, cavities, needles
Future Plans: Attend Purdue Calumet, major in psychology, live my life to the fullest with no regrets, move down South, get married, and have at least two kids.





Michelle Marie Beda
"Shell"



Edward James Boyle, Jr.
"Eddie"



Megan Catherine Castle
"Whooa"



Rachael A. Coleman

Activities: Environmental Club 4; Booster Club 2-3; Spanish Club 4; NHS 3-4; Girls State Alternate 3; Kwanzaa Top Ten 3-4; Homecoming Court 2

Likes: Shopping, summertime, animals, Market Day Mondays with Ashley, my family, hanging out with friends, Gelita, Mustangs, yellow, cooking, drawing and painting

Dislikes: Mean people, backstabbers, hypocrites, people who talk about others, jealous people and people who hurt me

Awards/Achievements: Principal's Honor Roll, Honor Roll, Academic "W"
Future Plans: Go to college, become a vet and chef, and live happily ever after in a beautiful house.

Activities: Football 4, Cross Country 2, Basketball 1, Booster Club 3-4; Spanish Club 2-4; Choir 1-3; Drama Production 1, Stage Crew 1-3; Academic Team 2-4; Science Olympiad 4; Who's Who 2-3; Prom Prince 3

Likes: True friends, Siberian Huskies, food, The Simpsons and *That 70's Show*, all animals, money, bowling and pool, Phatness, smurfs, football, ROY-G-BIV, and the name "Ethan Alexander"

Dislikes: Lairs, people who are all talk, mustard, sitcoms, spiders, raccoons, conformity, waiting, flying monkeys
Awards/Achievements: Football All-Conference Academic Team
Future Plans: Go to Purdue Lafayette's School of Science, get married, have two kids and a Siberian Husky.

Activities: Reflector 2-4; Who's Who 1-4; Kwanzaa Top Ten 3-4

Likes: My sisters, Ale: Empire, the twinklets, Melynda and Lindley, The Cure, Gus B, makeup, fashion assassins, Vanilla Coke, high heels, socks, boots, fuzzy clothing, stars, orange hair, lime green, Tim Burton, The Faint, noodles, rice

Dislikes: GROUPIES, most opening bands, meat and fish, zero hour drama, and the state our world is in
Awards/Achievements: Principal's Honor Roll, Honor Roll, Academic "W"
Future Plans: Attend IU, become makeup artist/stylist to the stars and get them to star in my cult classics, go into forensic pathology of psychology, retire somewhere tranquil with a happening music scene where I can film shows

Activities: Booster Club 4, BPA 4; Spanish Club 2-4

Likes: Having money, shopping, being with my friends, nice weather, the color blue, #3, field trips

Dislikes: Arguing with my friends, school, having to wake up early, work, snow, research papers, and rumors

Future Plans: To attend college, get a good job, and live happily.



Bryan Jon Condy
"B Co"



Edgar Cornejo
"Cornejo, Gar"



Juan Antonio Cornejo
"Cornejo, Conejo"



Valentino Francisco Cuba
"Tino, T-Mac"

Activities: Football 1-4; Basketball 2-4; Environmental Club 4; Spanish Club 2-4; Class Officer 1-3; Student Council 4; NHS 3-4; Boys State Delegate 3; Who's Who 1-4; Kwanzaa Top Ten 3-4; Homecoming Court 4

Likes: Football, Da Bears, Da Cubs, my true friends, weekends, mob movies, taking "notes" with Shannon, being "oppressed" with Ashley, *The Simpsons*, eaters

Dislikes: The White Sox, fake people, Fastlives, noisy people, Culver, mornings, homework, physics, scavengers, hairs, fish

Awards/Achievements: LAC All-Conference Honorable Mention, LAC Academic All-Conference, Academic All-State, DARE Role Model
Future Plans: Go to Purdue, graduate, have a successful job, marry a beautiful woman, and have some kids

Other Schools Attended: Bowen 1

Activities: Boys Volleyball 1, Wrestling 3, Baseball 1, 3-4; Bowling 1; Chess Team 1; Swim Team 1

Likes: Girls, cars, rap, baseball, soccer, chilling with my friends, money, and some more girls

Dislikes: School, haters, wannabes, preps, stuck-up girls, stupid people, and people that hate me

Awards/Achievements: Making it out of high school

Future Plans: Go to a two year college, get a job, make money, and become a millionaire.

Other Schools Attended: Bowen 1

Activities: Boys Volleyball 1, Wrestling 3, Chess Team 1, Band 2-3

Likes: Girls, and more girls, cars, money, hanging with friends and my girlfriend, music, playing guitar and trumpet

Dislikes: Haters, wannabes, skateboards preps, stuck-up girls

Awards/Achievements: Foreign Language Award, Industrial Arts Award

Future Plans: Graduate from Lincoln Tech, become an EST and automotive mechanic, and get married.

Activities: Football 1-4; Basketball 2-4; Baseball 1-4; Spanish Club 2-4; Class Officer 2; Athletic Who's Who 4; Homecoming Court 2

Likes: Money, women, cars, sports, swimming, my Taurus, collecting cologne, food, sleeping, staying fit, summer, streetball, new shoes

Dislikes: Teasers, tall people with no athletic ability, not having money, people who think they look good and act all snotty, country music, backstabbers, peer pressure, winter, cops, school lunch, school

Awards/Achievements: Football LAC First Team, IFCA All-State Team, All-Area Honorable Mention, A.P. All-State First Team, Herald Bloomington All-State Team, Basketball and Baseball LAC Honorable Mention

Future Plans: Make a career out of the Navy, try out for a semi-pro football team and try to make it pro. If not, have a good job, marry a beautiful wife, have five kids, teach them sports and live a happy life.



Eric Joseph Curoshi
"Millhous, Jim"



Lauren Jo Curoshi
"LJ, Bean, Bubble-Bee"



Patrick Delaney
"Turtle"

Activities: Cross Country 2-4; Basketball 1-2, 4; Golf 2; Spanish Club 2-4; Student Council 4; Stage Crew 3; Academic Team 3-4; Science Olympiad 3-4; Who's Who 2-4; Keweenaw Top Ten 3-4
Likes: Math, basketball, running, CAD class, food, flying monkeys, chilling with the gang, physics, Da Bears, *The Simpsons*
Dislikes: Ignorant people, cola-based products, busy work, loud mouths, arrogant people, cigarettes
Awards/Achievements: Cross Country Academic All-Conference
Future Plans: Attend Purdue Lafayette, get married, have two kids, and build a mansion.

Activities: Volleyball 1-2-4; Basketball 1-4; Softball 1-4; Environmental Club 2-4; Booster Club 1-4; FBIA 1-3; BPA 4; Spanish Club 2-4; Class Officer 1-3-4; Student Council 1-4; NHS 3-4; Reflector 4; Academic Team 2; Who's Who 1-4; Keweenaw Top Ten 3-4; Homecoming Court 3
Likes: Softball, our calc group, chocolate, being with my buddies, C/O '03, sixth hour with Ms. Hylth, the Cubs, driving to school with Bryan, my Papa and Grams, physics
Dislikes: Mornings, deadlines, cleaning my messy locker, Lake Station, smokers
Awards/Achievements: Basketball First Team All-Conference, Softball Co-MVP, Volleyball and Basketball Academic All-State, National Merit Commended Scholar, Times/UN Student of the Week, State Softball Mental Attitude Award
Future Plans: Graduate from dental school, become an orthodontist, get married, have children, and be happy!

Activities: Football 1-3; Basketball 1; Spanish Club 2
Likes: Money, hanging out with my friends, chillin' at home, riding around to different places, fishing, basketball, football, baseball
Dislikes: Stuck-up people, people who think they know everything
Awards/Achievements: Football "W"
Future Plans: Make some money.



Jacqueline Diaz
"Jacqina"



Vincent Timothy Donovan
"Vinnie, D\$, Tugboat, VD"



Kenneth James Fentress
"Kennerd, Kendinger"

Other Schools Attended: BNI 1-3
Activities: Cross Country 1-2; Cheerleader 1-2-4; Student Council 3-4; Drama Production 1; Sectionals Court 4
Sectionals Queen 4
Likes: Joy and M-L, Sade, Pearl Jam, color pink, Helle Kiny, SponteeBob, Aunt Martin, children, family, fruit, movies, and Mary Jane shoes, J. Crew, Express
Dislikes: Jealousy, people who are mean, disrespectful, and controlling
Future Plans: Go to college, model, perform, work hard, and own my own business.

Activities: Football 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Star Person 1-2; German Club 4; Who's Who 1-4; Homecoming Court 3
Likes: FB&J, sports, obstacle course at Condy's house, trips to Steak & Shake, in da mornin', calculus study sessions, Lauren's cappuccino blatz, Guiness Malt, The Blazer R.I.P., Ireland, Elvin, Glen, 104.3, dog-sitting, high 5's, being a bleacher bum, my baby Britt, Spanish rice
Dislikes: Sweet potatoes, haters, greedy people, lars, stinky feet, gold diggers, weekend movies like "Jasper Crumpet-questadillo, Ludwig, Lebertz"
Awards/Achievements: DARE Role Model, Baseball MVP, Football Offensive MVP, LAC All-Academic Team
Future Plans: Go to college, have fun, settle down and get married to a very hot woman, become a millionaire, have a few kids, live in California, and retire at an age so that I can play a round of golf everyday.

Likes: My lunch table, heavy metal music, Little Caesars, Burger King, c/o 2004, System of a Down, senior year, Amy, computers, pizza
Dislikes: McDonald's, rap music, lars, hypocrites, narks, idiots, people with no common sense, economics, boy bands, accounting, science
Future Plans: Go to IIT Tech, get an associate's degree in a computer-related area, and make a lot of money.





Antonio Fernandez, Jr.
"Big T"

Activities: Spanish Club 2,4
Likes: Lowriders, girls, hanging out with friends
Dislikes: Studying, not getting enough sleep
Future Plans: Become an expert in the area of computers.



David Anthony Franco
"Monkey, Francostein"

Activities: Football 1-3, Basketball 1-3, Wrestling 4, Baseball 2-4, Homecoming Court 4
Likes: White Sox, playing sports with my friends, Coach Cain, weekends
Dislikes: Homework, scavengers, chillin' in Joy's room, people who get in my business, waking up early for school, NARKS
Awards/Achievements: Football LAC First Team, getting through high school
Future Plans: Go to school, become an electrician, get married, and have lots of kids.



Joy Josephine Furto
"J-Fu, Joyce, Jo, Joyful"

Activities: Volleyball 1-4, Basketball 1 2,4, Stat Person 2, Booster Club 1-4, FBIA 1-3, BPA 4, Spanish Club 2,4, Student Council 3-4, Sectionals Court 1, Prom Princess 3
Likes: 67, Jackie and MLo, GEK, Eutold, The Mille Story, DTSF with S-Co, RIP Jesse, when Sarbear cleans my room, Middy, Kow, Tasha
Dislikes: Liars, conceited people, orange cones, HATERS, waking up early, when people have roots from not dying their hair
Awards/Achievements: Honor Roll sophomore year
Future Plans: Go to college, study in a field that will bring me much success and have fun along the way.



Thomas Glenn Fusner, Jr.
"T.J."

Activities: Golf 4, Science Olympiad 1
Likes: The Legend of Zelda, LOTR, computers, Resident Evil, TV, Dragonball Z, video games
Dislikes: X-Box, preps, two-faced people, Republicans, Liberals, huppies, SpongeBob, feminists, George W. Bush
Awards/Achievements: First Place in Science Olympiad
Future Plans: To go onward and further my education.



Shellée Lynn Hemm
"Shell, Shelbert, She-lee"

Activities: Volleyball 1-4, Badminton 1,4, Reflex 3
Likes: #10, volleyball, blue, guys, #3, cars, running, money, shopping, laughter, #32
Dislikes: Fake people, liars, school, rude people, stealers, perfect people, clowns, rumon
Awards/Achievements: Gatorade Will to Win Athlete, Lake Athletic Conference Volleyball Team, Perfect Attendance, Most Improved Digger
Future Plans: Go to college at PUC, play volleyball, get a job, get married, and have a family.



Derek E. Horsley

Activities: Baseball 1, 3-4, Homecoming Court 2
Likes: Art, my guitars, Jim Morrison, sleeping, music, baseball, ribs, food, movies, rock/metal music, my lunch table
Dislikes: Clothing stores that start with an "A", people who aren't themselves, preps, school, rap music, boy bands, pop music, art classes
Future Plans: Become an art teacher



Elizabeth Iniguez

Other Schools Attended: Washington Union 1-3
Likes: Baby blue
Dislikes: People who lie, procrastinators, snow
Awards/Achievements: Perfect Attendance, Honor Roll
Future Plans: I don't have any future plans.



Jason Irizarry
"Jay"

Activities: Cross Country 4
Likes: Summer, food, candy paint, 5 mil tint, spinning rims, Florida, sleep
Dislikes: Slow rides, pointless schoolwork, slow drivers, speed limits, the police
Future Plans: Go to Ivy Tech.



Jose Arturo Jimenez
"Guero"

Activities: Football 1-4; Wrestling 3-4; Spanish Club 2; Sectionals Court 4
Likes: Football, Mexican food, working, family, swimming, hanging around with friends, 4's 2,4,5,7,15 and red, white and blue
Future Plans: Go to college and get a job
Other Awards: Academic "W", Football Captain, IAC Honorable Mention Football



Jennifer Ann Keown
"Henna, Jennia"

Activities: Mai Maad 2-3; Environmental Club 2-4; Spanish Club 2-4
Likes: Best friends, driving, 6th hour precal, people that understand me, family, "The Block", Blink-182, yellow mustangs, Bob the Builder
Dislikes: Hypocrites, parked cars, physics, annoying people, stateline, being told to shut up for no reason, school, KETCHUP
Future Plans: I plan to attend Loyola University Chicago; however I have yet to decide what I am going to be studying. I am hoping to get a good job and live a happy life.
Other Awards: Honor Roll



Winston A. Kotzan
"WAK, Wakman, Winz"

Activities: Basketball 1, Golf 1-4, Class Officer 4, NHS 3-4, Reflector 4; Academic Team 3-4; Boys State Delegate 1; Kwanan Top Ten 3-4
Likes: Capitalism, John's Pizza, pizza, profits, *Gloosbein*, scrambled eggs with lobster, Vanilla Coke, Fox News Channel, CNBC
Dislikes: Socialism, sauce, Dr. Phil, the grocery store, quadruple bogey
Future Plans: Launch a major corporation.
Other Awards: Principal's Honor Roll 9-12, Student of the Month



Gregory Evan Koval

Activities: Wrestling 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Spanish Club 2-4, Class Officer 2-3, Student Council 4; NHS 3-4; Science Olympiad 2-4; Boys State Delegate 3; Kwanan Top Ten 3-4; Homecoming King 4
Likes: WHITE SOX, playing baseball, golf, wrestling, my family, having fun
Dislikes: CUBS, losing, cutting weight, running
Future Plans: Attend college, go to medical school, become a doctor, live happily and be successful.
Other Awards: Wrestling MVP, All-Conference Honorable Mention Baseball, The Times Student of the Week, Principal's Honor Roll



Vincent Peter Leckavicius
"Chente, Crazy Legs"

Activities: Football 1-4; Basketball 2, Baseball 2; Spanish Club 2-4, Sectionals Court 3
Likes: My homes, girls, football, people who keep it real, #42, Mya, money, Leona
Dislikes: Crazy chicks, losing, drama queens, batters, scavengers, hairs
Future Plans: Make a lot of money, meet fine mamacita, and move away to Mexico



Miriam Lopez

Activities: Cross Country 2-4; Basketball 1, Tennis 3; Cheerleading 4; Spanish Club 2-4; Choir 4; Homecoming Queen 4
Likes: My family, Joy and Jackie, Gina, Sarah, Los Compadres, my drop top
Dislikes: Haters, liars, noisy people, all other restaurants besides Los Compadres
Future Plans: To be far from Whiting and live in a condo on the beach with my rich family.





Nicole Marie Lyons
"Nikki"

Activities: Booster Club 4, BPA 4, Spanish Club 2-4, Student Council 1
Likes: Warm sunny days, the color blue, money, chilling with my friends, weekends, my Kate-Bear
Dislikes: Lairs, the town of Whiting, waking up early, seafood, stuck-up people, arguments
Future Plans: Attend Ball State to major in nursing and eventually become a pediatrician
Other Awards: Honors Diploma, DARE Role Model



Rick Jonathan McNinch
"Homeslice, Gatsby"

Activities: Cross Country 1, Golf 2-4, Manager 1-4, Stat Person 1-4, Booster Club 3, German Club 4, Student Council 1-4, NHS 3-4, Drama Production 3-4, Stage Crew 3-4, Academic Team 3, Boys State Delegate 3, Who's Who 1-4, Sectionals Court 1
Likes: Homeslice, Immaculate Conception Church, good old Whiting, *The Great Gatsby* movie (1974 version), James Bond, video games, World War II, John Wayne, Richard Nixon, Moon River, Miss Guacero, Mr. Hyde
Dislikes: Munster, downs, St. John Church, school homework, liberals, X-Box, affirmations, action, "Achy Breaky" *The Great Gatsby* movie (2001 version)
Future Plans: Go to college, get an excellent paying job, marry some hot chick, and have numerous offspring
Other Awards: Elk's Student of the Month



Elizabeth Rose Morando
"Ms. Lizzy, Liz"

Activities: FBIA 1, BPA 4, German Club 1
Likes: Funny people, laughing, music, dancing, Chicago shopping
Dislikes: Mean people, spoiled people
Future Plans: Go to Purdue Calumet and do something in the medical field



Charles Everett Myers, Jr.
"Rusty"

Likes: Languages, Medieval things, computers, games
Dislikes: Everything, MTV, "pop" culture, the DARE program
Future Plans: Leaf



Jason Ryne O'Drobinak
"Kiwi, Turtle, Odie"

Activities: Wrestling 1-5, Spanish Club 1
Likes: Honda truck, fishing, Gary, turtles, rino, 5 mil tint, subs, tubing, waked surfing, water skiing, fast cars, boats, swimming, having barbecues
Dislikes: Haters, school, cats, slow drivers, cops, not having money, country music, vegetarians
Future Plans: Go to college and get a job



Sarah Elizabeth Polak

Activities: Softball 1, FHSA 2, BPA 4, Spanish Club 2-4
Likes: Joel Sr., Joel Jr., summer
Dislikes: Whiting, school, waking up early, cold weather, haters
Future Plans: Go to Indiana University Northwest, become an accountant, make a lot of money, marry Joel Sr., raise my babies in a nice house somewhere warm
Other Awards: Sectionals title in softball



Amanda Ann Raczka
"Raz, Bi-Polar"

Other Schools Attended: Marian Catholic 1, Thornwood 2, Traverse City Central 3
Activities: Volleyball 1, Basketball 3-4, Softball 3-4, Spanish Club 4
Likes: Sports, Fighting Illini, Cubs, guys, cowboys, Dave Matthews Band, Jack, older men, The Lunch Bunch, Adidas, P.F.T.
Dislikes: Girls who start stuff, Sox, slow drivers, winter
Future Plans: Go to college, play volleyball, become successful, marry rich, and live happily ever after



Alejandro Reyes
"Alex"

Activities: Football 2-4, Wrestling 3-4
Likes: Hanging out with my friends, football, music, watching TV
Future Plans: Go to college and get a job
Other Awards/Achievements: Honorable Mention for football



Sarah Ann Rodgers
"Sar, Sarbear"

Activities: Cheerleading 2-3, Mat Maid 3, Environmental Club 2-4, Booster Club 2-3, FBIA 2-3; Spanish Club 2-4; Class Officer 1-4, Student Council 2-3; Reflector 4; Tattler 4

Likes: Reflector class, the Class of 2003, Hello Kitty, the color pink, my friends who are always there for me, weekends, the #14, the many personalities of Amanda, Jack, and the saying "Finding love is a bumpy ride, once you get there, though, it becomes a roller coaster."

Dislikes: Waking up early, people who can't mind their own business so they get into yours and talk about you behind your back, anything that has to do with math, walking up the stairs in the morning, the long walk to cadet, narks, hairs, and fighting with my friends

Future Plans: Go to Vincennes University and major in interior design. After that get married, have kids, and live life to the fullest everyday!



Ann Victoria Rodriguez
"Aww little Annie"

Activities: Volleyball 2; Cheerleading 2-4; Environmental Club 2; Booster Club 3-4; SADD 1-2; FBIA 1-3; BPA 4; Spanish Club 2-4; Choir 1-2; Drama Production 2-3; Sectionals Court 4

Likes: Chillies' with my friends, going to the movies, cheerleading

Dislikes: Rumors

Future Plans: Go to college, get a good job, be wealthy, and live a good life.

Other Awards: Captain of the cheerleading team



Lucinda Rodriguez
"Lucy, Lucy Lu"

Activities: Booster Club 3-4, FBIA 2-3; BPA 4; Spanish Club 2-4

Likes: Shopping, being with my friends, spring, the color yellow, going Downtown, field trips

Dislikes: Snow, waking up early, essays, research papers, rumors, annoying people

Future Plans: Attend college, get a good paying job, and buy a house in Mexico.

Other Awards: Benjamin Elijah Mays Academic Excellence Award, graduating



Valerie Renee Snyder
"Val, Steph"

Activities: Volleyball 1, Booster Club 2, Tattler 4; Academic Team 3-4; Who's Who 3-4; Web Club 2

Likes: Bon Jovi, hanging out with my sweetie Billy, playing basketball with my friends, Dodge Vipers, old class, hanging out with my "sister", Jeremy

Dislikes: Rude people, people who dance they're better than everyone else, gremmie heights, roller coasters, and country music

Future Plans: Go to college, be very successful, have a big family, and buy my brother Jerry the "Dukes of Hazzard"

Other Awards/Achievements: Honor Roll, Principal's Honor Roll, National Science Merit Award, National Service Leadership Award, semi-finalist and finalist in national and international poetry contest, and Illiad Literary Awards Program finalist



Ralph Edward Steiger

Activities: Spanish Club 2

Likes: Girls, fishing, the green machine hanging out with my friends, Hamsters, rams, money, rubs, chicken wings, hot sauce, music

Dislikes: Cats, school, being sick

Future Plans: Go to college and get a job



Ashley Jean Sudar
"Bean, Scooter"

Activities: Tennis 1-3; Mat Maid 1-4; Football Manager 1-4; Basketball Manager 2-4; Environmental Club 2-4; Booster Club 2-3; FBIA 3; NHS 3-4; Reflector 2-4; Girls State Delegate 3; Who's Who 1-4; Kowans Top Ten 3-4; Sectionals Court 4

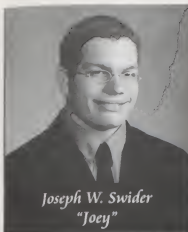
Likes: "Calculus parties" at "Crest", Market Day Mondays with Michelle, the "Dreyer game" at football, the month of June, the office "girls", my friends, Gator Burt's Beeswax lip balm, Game Show Network, being "oppressed" by Bryan Chevy Novas, Cadillac Escalades, and warm, flat Pepsi Twists

Dislikes: Waking up early, cold hallways, being told I can't wander the hallways, and football bus rides home when we lost

Future Plans: Go to Purdue University, major in communications and minor in political science, become the White House press secretary, get married, have kids and be HAPPY!!!

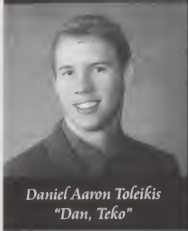
Other Awards/Achievements: Principals Honor Roll, Honor Roll





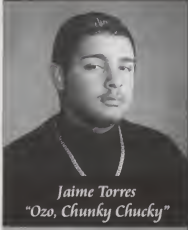
Joseph W. Swider
"Joey"

Activities: Booster Club 4, Spanish Club 2
Likes: Art, writing, making other people happy
Dislikes: Homework, teachers
Future Plans: Getting out of Whiting, make lots of money, and be happy in life.



Daniel Aaron Tolcikis
"Dan, Teko"

Activities: Football 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Stat Person 3-4, Spanish Club 2-4, Who's Who 1-4, Kwanza Top Ten 3-4; Sectionals Court 4
Likes: Basketball, football, Duke, the "Bird", the Calc Group, exers, milk (especially strawberry), choosing choice F, breakfast food, Jay's BBQ chips, key lime pie yogurt, cherry pie
Dislikes: Michigan City Police, people that pronounce the "t" in "other", reading, sour cream 'n' onion chips
Future Plans: Go to Depauw, get a good job, marry a great girl, have kids, make lots of money, and get old.
Other Awards/Achievements: All-Conference, LAC All-Conference Honorable Mention, Indiana All-State Honorable Mention



Jaime Torres
"Ozo, Chunky Chucky"

Other schools attended: Putnam County 1-3
Activities: Football 4, Cross Country 1, Spanish Club 4; Stage Crew 2; FFA 1-3, Snowball 1-3; Media Club 1-3; Track 1-3
Likes: Drawing, food, astronomy, car shows, ladies, comedy shows
Dislikes: Skaters, people who don't act like themselves, heavy metal, preppy clothes, wannabe gangsters, dazy people
Future Plans: Have a big house, own a couple of expensive cars, become well-known, and finish college.



Mandy A. Trent
"Fromage, Cheese"

Activities: Volleyball 1; Basketball 1-4, Environmental Club 2; Booster Club 2-4; SADD 2-3; FBLLA 2-3; BPA 4; Spanish Club 2-4; Girls State Alternate 3; Who's Who 3-4; Sectionals Court 4
Likes: My niece Abigail, being with the "Venus", IU, the show FRIENDS, #5, being with my friends, and summer
Dislikes: "Cliques", rumors, people who think they know me, that old school, people who butt in to conversations, and being from a small town
Future Plans: Go to Ball State, earn my Psy D, and make lots of money!
Other Awards/Achievements: National Honor Roll, National Youth Forum on Defense, Leadership, and Intelligence



Steven M. Vazquez
"Scuba Steve"

Activities: Basketball 1-4; Spanish Club 2-4
Likes: Playing basketball, hanging out with my friends, and sleeping
Dislikes: People who talk about other people, people who lie, wannabes, and people who only care about themselves
Future Plans: To get a good job and make a lot of money



Shannon Kathleen Wilson

Activities: Volleyball 1-4, Softball 1, Mat Maid 3, Booster Club 1-3; Spanish Club 2-4, Class Officers 1-2-4; Student Council 1-4; NHS 3-4; Reflector 4; Taster 4; Science Olympiad 2; Girls State Delegate 3; Who's Who 1-4; Kwanza Top Ten 3-4; Homecoming Court 4
Likes: Volleyball, my best friends, our dysfunctional family 7th hour with Ms. Hylek, all my office mommies, Ms. D., PS, taking "notes" with Bryan, being part of the Rebecca's crew, sleeping, shoes, my family
Dislikes: Football, government class, cold weather, Ashley's cats, waking up in the morning, being made fun of by Mr. Sorota, Senior English
Future Plans: Attend IU Bloomington, start a career, find Mr. Right, move somewhere warm and live happily ever after.
Other Awards: Volleyball Co-Captain, Academic "W", Scholaric All-Star, All-Conference Academic Team, Leadership Conference



Name that Senior!



1. Anytime I spent with my friends is my best memory.



4. When Mr. Sorota kicked Michelle and me out of physics for talking.



7. Every day was fun.



2. Winning the Whiting Tournament and tripping at the Calumet game sophomore year.

8. When Tony fell down the bleachers during the Homecoming Dance 2000 and broke his ankle.

10. When Annie fell off the desk in Mr. Vrabel's room and Homecoming 2002.

5. When Joy fell at Senior Night for volleyball.



3. When Tony jumped on a table and danced to "Baby Got Back".



6. When I left my car running all day during school.



9. When McNinch sang in government class during elections.

11. They were all very good.



14. When I fell numerous times at the Homecoming dance.



16. I will remember all of my days at Whiting High School.

12. When we went to Fuego Loca during a Spanish field trip and everyone ordered me ice cream and sang *Happy Birthday* to me.



15. My favorite memory is Tony's "Stick and Move".



20. Tony falling down the bleachers at homecoming.



17. When some of us started fighting with sticks and rolling a tire when we were supposed to be playing softball in gym.



13. Getting the game winning hit in my first high school baseball game and being lifted up by my teammates.



18. When Tony and I went shopping uptown.



19. When Joy fell through the hoop.



21. (Left) "Stick and move" and the turtle trend. (Right) Tony's "stick and move", turtle, and my freshman year at Bowen.



22. When Jon McNinch sang to us in government.



23. When we went to Gurnee Mills and Vinnie put a show on.



24. (Left) There are too many to choose from!



27. My favorite memory is winning the regional championship in softball my senior year.



25. Being nominated to run for Homecoming Queen.

26. When Dan got pulled over in Michigan City because his window tint was "too dark".

28. Going to the Post 80 summer baseball roadtrip with Tino. Knock, knock, knock! Lemme in the room!



30. When Bryan locked his keys in his car while it was running and didn't know he did it.



31. When I fell through the hoop on volleyball Senior Night.



32. Zero hour "field trips" and "kidnapping" Snow White to take her to see Kill Hannah.



33. Playing sports, prom junior year, and the day after when we went to Six Flags and Gurnee Mills.



36. When Lauren and I ran out of gas right as we were pulling in front of the pump.



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34. When Mrs. Mindas got her finger stuck on a CD and I had to cut the CD off.



37. When I pulled Candice's chair out from under her at lunch and she fell.



35. Leaving high school for good.



38. When I go shopping at Walgreens because things always go wrong.

ANSWER BOX

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|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Sarah Rodgers | 15. Jaime Torres | 28. Vinnie Donovan |
| 2. Shellee Hemm | 16. Candice Bartley | 29. Jose Jimenez |
| 3. Eddie Boyle | 17. Jon McNinch | 30. Dan Toleikis |
| 4. Jennifer Keown | 18. Liz Morando | 31. Joy Furto |
| 5. Amanda Raczka | 19. David Franco | 32. Megan Castle |
| 6. Bryan Condy | 20. Eric Curosh | 33. Tino Cuba |
| 7. Ralph Steiger | 21. Juan Cornejo | 34. Derek Horsley |
| 8. Steve Vazquez | 21. Edgar Cornejo | 35. Jason Irizarry |
| 9. Valerie Snyder | 22. Sarah Polak | 36. Shannon Wilson |
| 10. Mandy Trent | 23. Alex Reyes | 37. Rachel Coleman |
| 11. Lucy Rodriguez | 24. Ann Rodriguez | 38. Tony Fernandez |
| 12. Michelle Beda | 25. Nicole Arredondo | 39. Vincent Leckavicius |
| 13. Greg Koval | 26. Ashley Sudar | 40. Kenny Fentress |
| 14. Nicole Lyons | 27. Lauren Curosh | 41. Jason O'Drobinak |

Top Ten Seniors

When good kids go bad overnight



Crime Committed: During Econ class, Sox fan Greg told Ms. D to "put a cork in it" when she was talking about the Cubs and Sammy Sosa.

Sentence: Four years at Purdue University

#1 Greg Koval



Crime Committed: This State Best Mental Attitude Winner refused to slide into third base because she didn't want to get her uniform dirty.

Sentence: Four years at Depauw University

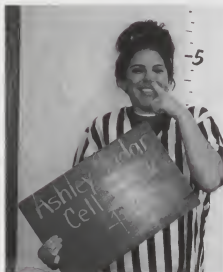
#2 Lauren Curosh



Crime Committed: After reciting the pledge, Winston was cited for using the school's PA system to plug his own business.

Sentence: Four years at Purdue University

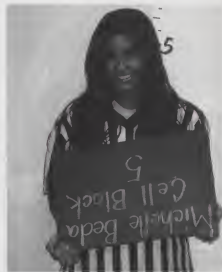
#3 Winston Kotzan



Crime Committed: Ashley was caught using Whihala Beach water to fill the opposing football team's water bottles before an important game.

Sentence: Four years at Purdue University

#4 Ashley Sudar



Crime Committed: Michelle was caught giving answers out to her fellow classmates during her math test using the reflection of her mirror.

Sentence: Four years at Purdue University

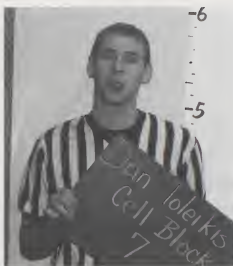
#5 Michelle Beda



Crime Committed: After being left on one too many times, Bryan's car was caught "running" away from school without permission, thus resulting in a truancy.

Sentence: Four years at Purdue University

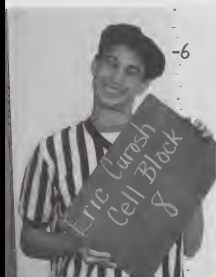
#6 Bryan Condry



Crime Committed: Dan missed his curfew and blamed his car window tint. "It's hard to tell what time it is when you're driving," said Dan. "It always looks dark."

Sentence: Four years at Depauw University

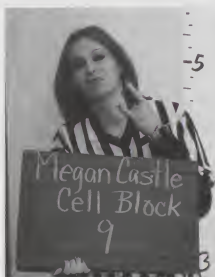
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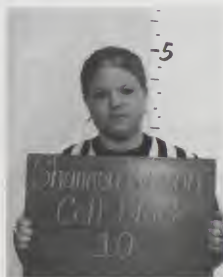
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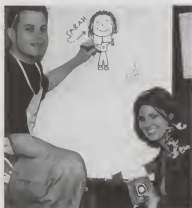
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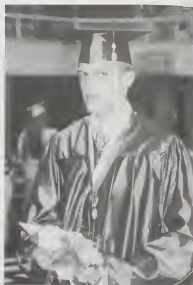
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A time for goodbyes and new beginnings

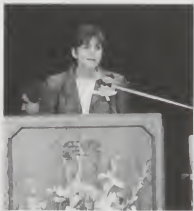


Above, Valedictorian Gregory Koval helps make the day even more memorable with his speech.

Graduation is a time for reflecting on the past four years. It is always a bittersweet day for seniors, who have to say goodbye to everything that they know and enter into the real world. Some will go off to college as others enter into the work force. Few will even serve their country in the military. The Class of 2003 has nothing but the bright future ahead of them.



Above, Eddie Boyle stops for a moment after receiving his diploma.



Above, Miss Guaccio prepares to call out the names of the proud graduates.



Above, Graduates take a few moments to honor their country during *The National Anthem*



Above, Members of the graduating Class of 2003 follow tradition and throw their caps in the air for celebration.



Above, Shannon Wilson is congratulated by class sponsors.



Above, Elizabeth Iniquez and Valentino Cuba walk to their seats at the start of the ceremony.



Above, Michael Baker happily shakes the hand of Whiting School Board member, Mr. Milo Dumezich.



Above, Dan Toleikis presents the Principal's Message to his fellow classmates.



Above, Ashley Sudar, Shannon Wilson and Sarah Rodgers pose for a quick picture before heading off to the gym.



Above, Jen Keown (right) helps Michelle Beda with some last minute preparations.



Above, Making her way across the stage, Miriam Lopez greets Mr. Flick after receiving her long-awaited diploma.



Above, Salutatorian Lauren Curosh delivers her much anticipated speech.



Above, Class President Winston Kotzan presents his unique speech.



Above, Rachel Coleman and Lucinda Rodriguez spend some quality time together before the ceremony.



Left, "The boys" sit in the cafeteria together one last time before graduating.

Right, Principal Dirk Flick shares a few words of wisdom before sending the seniors off into the real world.



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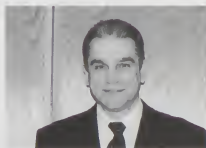
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Shannon,

You are truly a remarkable young woman. The strength you have shown through all the adversity you have faced is amazing. You never gave up or felt sorry for yourself. You are an inspiration. We are so proud of all you have accomplished and know that Daddy and Papa are proud of you too. We hope the future holds all the success and happiness you deserve.

*Love,
Mom and Nathan*



Good Luck & Best Wishes Class of 2003



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Acknowledgements

Thanking the people who count

The freshmen have finished their first year here; the sophomores are now upperclassmen; and the juniors finally rule the school. And you, my fellow seniors, we are done!! Each day that has passed has been a beginning, an end, and an opportunity. All these memories are now just days in our lives and this yearbook is here to make you laugh, cry, and remember along with you.

Now I would like to thank all the people who were involved in making this yearbook. First, I would like to thank Ms. Hylek. I have never met a more patient person and her patience helps a lot. She works on *The Reflector* with us from the beginning of the year and well into the summer. Our yearbook would not be possible without her.

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Finally, I would like to thank you, the reader. This yearbook is for you. These are your days, years, months, weeks, and memories. Cherish them always because high school is four of the best years of your life. Thank you for all the memories you have shared with the yearbook!

Editor,

Ashley Sudar

Below, Seniors Lauren Curosh and Ashley Sudar enjoy their last Homecoming dance together.



Below, The senior girls portray members of the football team at the pep assembly.



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It's time to say goodbye...

Creating lasting memories as another year passes

As quickly as the 2002-2003 school year began, so did it end. It seems as though students were just deciding their homecoming themes....now those same seniors are deciding what they should take with them to college. Though the school year was plagued with some personal hardships, Whiting High School students overcame them and went on to experience a successful school year overall. The Science Olympiad Team competed at state for the first time, as did the softball team. ISTEP scores were again very good, and many students achieved personal goals. Though this school year was busy, it was rewarding for many. Just another day in the life...



Above, Senior Lauren Curosh (center) graciously accepts the State Best Mental Attitude Award for Class A Softball. This is the only individual award given by the IHSAA to 38 players in various sports in Indiana. A scholarship will be awarded to an WHS athlete next year in Lauren's honor. Another first for Whiting. We're proud of you!



Above, The State-Qualifying Science Olympiad Team. Kneeling: Jackie Perez, Jess Sabol, Vanessa Franco, Andy Vanderbye, Fiona Mills-Groninger. Standing: Coach Jeremy Long, Ryan Terry, Nick Suarez, Steve Wrzalinski, Eric Curosh, Justin Mis, Matt Kobli, Tommy Gresko, Greg Koval, Hugo Torres, Eddie Boyle, Coach Nichols. Not Pictured: Margaret Anthony. At Science Olympiad held at Purdue University Calumet, the team captured First Place in Class A and Second Place overall. On March 29, the Science Olympiad Team traveled to the state competition which was held at IU Bloomington. State Champions include Stephen Wrzalinski, Greg Koval, Hugo Torres and Fiona Mills-Groninger. Andy Vanderbye took a second, third and fourth place. Also taking a second place was Margaret Anthony; a third place, Eric Curosh; and a fourth place Matt Kobli. Sharing a fifth place were Fiona Mills-Groninger, Justin Mis and Jessica Sabol. Congratulatuons to the Science Olympiad Team and their coaches!



Above, Juniors Jessica Sabol and Erika Martinez were selected to attend the IU Honors Program this summer. After all was said and done, Sabol and Matrinez were chosen from over 1000 applicants. The two will learn about the Spanish culture and only be able to speak in Spanish for the seven-weeks stay. Sabol will be traveling to Mexico and Martinez will go to Spain. An honor for both young ladies, their families, teacher Mrs. Klochan and Whiting High School.



Above, For the first time in Whiting High School history, the softball team advanced to the state finals. Great job, LadyO's!



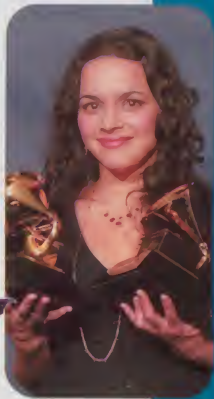
Above, Eric Curosh awaits his diploma.

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Upon re-entry into Earth's atmosphere, NASA's space shuttle Columbia loses contact with Mission Control in Houston and breaks apart in the skies over Texas. A crew of seven astronauts, including the first Israeli in space, perished.



Because of improper accounting and a debt load of \$41 billion, WorldCom files for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, the largest in U.S. history.



Police Chief Charles Moose arrests two snipers that terrorized the Washington, D.C. area.

WORLD EVENTS



Rep. Nancy Pelosi becomes the first woman party leader in the House or Senate.



FBI agent Robert Hanssen receives life without parole for selling secrets to Russia.



Minnesota's Democratic Sen. Paul Wellstone is killed in a plane crash.



An earthquake measuring 7.8 magnitude rocks Colima, Mexico. Iran and Italy experienced major quakes measuring 6.3 and 5.9.



A \$4 billion annual loss causes US Airways to file for Chapter 11 bankruptcy.



Hewlett-Packard and Compaq merge to create an \$87 billion global technology company.



AOL Time Warner's \$54.2 billion quarterly loss is the largest in U.S. history.



Rilya Wilson is missing for 13 months before Florida's child welfare realizes it.



Former U.S. President Jimmy Carter is awarded the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize.



Luke John Helder is arrested for planting 18 pipe bombs in mailboxes.



U.S. President George W. Bush and Russian President Vladimir Putin sign an historic arms treaty calling for a two-thirds reduction of nuclear warheads.



Nine miners are rescued from a flooded Pennsylvania coal mine after being trapped for more than three days. The entrapment occurred after the miners accidentally broke through to an adjacent, abandoned mine containing more than 50 million gallons of water.



Torrential rainfalls cause major flooding in Prague, Beijing and Lucknow, India.



UCLA doctors separate Guatemalan conjoined twins in a landmark surgery that lasts more than 24 hours. The twins returned home after a five-month recovery.



The new architectural design for the World Trade Center site features a memorial to the Sept. 11 victims and a 1,776 foot tower, making it the world's tallest building.



Chechen rebels hold 800 people hostage in a Moscow theater. More than 100 died after inhaling gas used to end the siege.



Longtime Forest Service employee Terry Barton is charged with setting the largest fire in Colorado's history.



Athina Onassis Roussel inherits \$1 billion on her 18th birthday.



Actor Robert Blake is arrested for the murder of his wife.



Elizabeth Smart is nabbed at gunpoint from her Salt Lake City home.



Bill Gates testifies for the first time in Microsoft's four-year antitrust trial.



The remains of intern Chandra Levy are found in a Washington, D.C. park.



McDonald's posts the first-ever quarterly loss in its 47-year history.



Germany's unemployment rate rises to a five-year high of 4.623 million.



England celebrates Queen Elizabeth's 50 year reign with an unprecedented Golden Jubilee. The month-long festivities included parades, parties, concerts, exhibits and more.



A four-winged Microraptor fossil is found in China.



More than 120 people perish in a South Korean subway fire.



The credibility of the Catholic Church is severely threatened by allegations that church officials covered up molestations by current and former priests.

OTHER NEWS

- FBI Lawyer Coleen Rowley disclosed to Congress that the FBI disregarded information that could have prevented the Sept. 11 attacks on the United States.
- A Chicago nightclub stampeded left 21 people dead.
- A piece of the World Trade Center was buried at the U.S. Embassy in Kabul, Afghanistan, in honor of the Sept. 11 anniversary.
- Fifty-six beached pilot whales died at Chapin Beach, MA.
- Kennedy cousin Michael Skakel was convicted of the 1975 murder of Martha Moxley.
- A band's pyrotechnics ignited a Rhode Island nightclub fire that killed more than 90 people.
- R.J. Reynolds was fined \$20 million for targeting cigarette ads at teens.
- U.S. wildfires burned more than 1.5 million acres in 2002.
- Former Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry was convicted of the 1963 Alabama church bombing that killed four girls.
- Florida's Pembroke Pines Charter Middle School was the only middle school in the world to have an experiment aboard Shuttle Columbia.



President Bush names Tom Ridge the Department of Homeland Security Adviser. The new department is intended to analyze threats and guard U.S. borders, airports, and infrastructure. It will also coordinate responses to national emergencies.



Hundreds of suspected and known terrorists are arrested worldwide. The Guantanamo Bay U.S. Naval Station in Cuba held more than 500 al-Qaeda and Taliban prisoners.

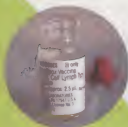


The Transportation Security Administration coordinates airport security measures including checked baggage screening, strict security checkpoints and random searches.

THE WAR ON TERRORISM

Over the course of the year, the world's attention focused on a chain of tumultuous terrorist events. In Afghanistan, the Taliban regime fell from power as U.S. troops crippled the al-Qaeda network and cleared caves in search of Osama bin Laden. World-wide, civilians and military personnel fell victim to terrorist bombs and acts of hatred. On the home front, "bioterrorism" became a common term after it was revealed that Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein was producing biological weapons. Hussein's defiance of United Nation's imposed sanctions prompted the United States to

seek world support of military action against Iraq. Members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization wrestled over conflicting opinions on the issue, while North Korean leader Kim Jong Il threatened to deploy nuclear weapons if Iraq was attacked. As tensions rose among political leaders, the world watched and waited to see what the next chapter in "The War on Terrorism" would bring.



One million emergency and military personnel receive Smallpox vaccinations.



World-wide, terrorist linked bank accounts are frozen indefinitely.



In Afghanistan, troops overtake the Taliban regime and dismantle the al-Qaeda network. More than 156,000 U.S. troops are deployed to Kuwait in case of a war with Iraq.



World economies cringe as oil prices rise because of threats of war.



Al-Qaeda leader Osama bin Laden evades U.S. troops in Afghanistan.



Iraq's Saddam Hussein is uncooperative with U.N. weapons inspectors.



In response to a barrage of suicide bombings, Israeli troops invade Palestinian Yasser Arafat's Ramallah compound. Arafat is thought to have supported terrorist groups.



North Korea's Kim Jong Il threatens deployment of Korea's nuclear weapons.



Anti-war marches across America and around the world are attended by thousands hoping for peace.



U.S. President George W. Bush urges the United Nations to impose military action on Iraq in response to Saddam Hussein's defiance of U.N. imposed disarmament resolutions.

OTHER EVENTS

- Top al-Qaeda operative Qaed Salim Sinan al-Harethi was killed during a U.S. missile strike in Yemen.
- Richard Reid pled guilty to charges that accused him of trying to smuggle explosives concealed in his shoes aboard an airplane.
- "Dirty Bomber" Abdullah al Muhajir was detained after evidence indicated he was plotting to detonate a radiological weapon.
- Malaysia, Kenya and the Philippines were hit by terrorist bombs.



Denzel Washington and Halle Berry win Oscars for Best Actor and Best Actress in 2002. Washington made his directorial debut with "Antwon Fisher" while Berry followed up as a "Die Another Day" Bond Girl.



"Friends" wins its first Emmy for Best Comedy Series. Star Jennifer Aniston collects Golden Globe, Emmy and People's Choice awards for her role as Rachel.



Reality shows such as "The Bachelorette," "The Bachelor," "Joe Millionaire," "Survivor" and "Fear Factor" sweep the nation.



Kelly Clarkson beats out Justin Guarini to win her own record deal and become the first "American Idol."

TV & MOVIES



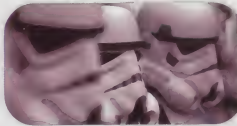
"Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets" earns more than \$240 million.



Leonardo DiCaprio shines in "Gangs of New York" and "Catch Me if You Can."



Actor Tom Hanks receives the Lifetime Achievement Award at the Golden Globe Awards.



George Lucas's "Star Wars: Episode Two - Attack of the Clones" earns \$310 million, making it 2002's No. 2 box office hit.



Creator of "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," Fred Rogers, dies at 74.



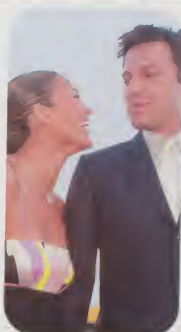
TV's "The Simpsons" airs its 300th episode during its fourteenth season.



"The Bernie Mac Show" is one of Fox's new critically acclaimed comedies.



"The Osbournes" are America's favorite heavy metal family.



Hollywood's hottest couple, Jennifer Lopez and "Daredevil" star Ben Affleck announce their engagement.



"Spider-man" celebrates his 40th birthday in 2002. Actor Tobey McGuire personified "Spidey" in the year's No. 1 box office hit that earned a record \$39.4 million on opening day.



Academy Award nominated "My Big Fat Greek Wedding" becomes the largest grossing romantic comedy of all time.



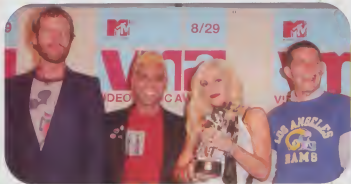
"Alias" star Jennifer Garner appears on the big screen in "Daredevil" and "Catch Me if You Can."

OTHER NEWS in TV & MOVIES

- History was made in 2002 when box office totals exceeded \$9 billion and more tickets were sold than in any year since the 1950s.
- Oprah Winfrey received the first-ever Bob Hope Humanitarian Award.
- Musical hit "Chicago" was nominated for 13 Academy Awards.
- Other hot TV shows: "Everybody Loves Raymond," "The George Lopez Show," "CSI" & "CSI: Miami," "My Wife and Kids," "Everwood," "Smallville," "Scrubs," "The Practice," "Six Feet Under," "24," "The Sopranos" and "Boston Public."
- Other hot movies: "Signs," "Lord of the Rings: the Fellowship of the Ring," "Unfaithful," "8 Mile," "Barbershop," "Sweet Home Alabama," "The Hours" and "XXX."
- Entertainers Milton Berle, James Coburn, Richard Harris, Dudley Moore and Richard Crenna died this year.



The Dixie Chicks win Favorite Album and Favorite Band, Group or Duo, Country, at the American Music Awards. They also won three Grammys including Best Country Album for "Home."



No Doubt wins the MTV Best Pop Video Award for "Hey Baby" and a Grammy for Best Pop Performance by a Duo or Group with Vocal. They also performed at the Superbowl XXXVII halftime show.

MUSIC



"Where Were You (When The World Stopped Turning)" by Alan Jackson pays tribute to September 11, 2001.



Run-DMC's "Jam Master Jay" dies after being gunned down in October.



Michelle Branch records "The Spirit Room" featuring "Everywhere." She also won a Grammy for "The Game of Love" with Carlos Santana.



Creed wins Favorite Band, Pop/Rock and Favorite Artist, Alternative at the American Music Awards. Their album "Weathered" went platinum six times and featured "My Sacrifice."



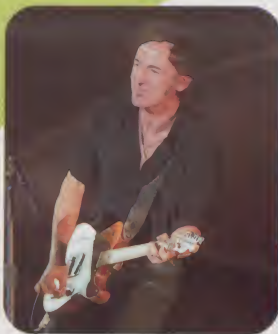
Trey Anastasio reunites with Phish after an extended hiatus.



Favorite New Artist is awarded to Ashanti at the American Music Awards.



Nelly releases "Nellyville" featuring songs "Dilemma" and "Hot In Herre."



Bruce Springsteen and The E Street Band tour the United States and Europe following the release of their album "The Rising" which wins Best Rock Album at the Grammys.



Avril Lavigne debuts "Let Go" featuring "Sk8er Boi" and "Complicated."



Eminem stars in "8 Mile" and releases a new album "The Eminem Show."



Lisa "Left Eye" Lopez, member of R&B trio TLC, dies in a car accident.



Norah Jones is Best New Artist and wins two Grammys for her album "Come Away With Me." She also took home two Grammys for the song "Don't Know Why."



John Mayer wins the Best Male Pop Vocal Performance Grammy for "Your Body Is A Wonderland."

OTHER NEWS in MUSIC

- Sheryl Crow released her new record "C'mon C'mon" and won a Grammy for "Steve McQueen." She also teamed up with Kid Rock for the single "Picture."
- "Spider-man" won Favorite Soundtrack at the American Music Awards.
- Britney Spears won Best Pop Vocal Album at the American Music Awards for her self-titled album.
- Other names in music this year include Tim McGraw, Usher, Pink, Vanessa Carlton, Eve, Shania Twain and J.Lo.
- Justin Timberlake launched his solo career with the album "Justified."
- Rosemary Clooney died at 74 of cancer.



Honda designs a four-foot robot, Asimo, that knows how to walk, climb stairs, recognize voices and understand human gestures and movement. The robot operated within the human living environment, connected to the internet and provided news and weather updates.



Digital camcorders, DVDs and digital media receivers are hot buys.



The technology industry introduces the handheld computer.



Cell phones connect to the internet, send e-mails and take pictures.

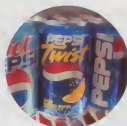
TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY



Yoga is a popular exercise for the mind, body and soul.



Honda and Toyota introduce hybrid cars. Gas engines and electric motors powered these environmentally advanced and fuel-efficient vehicles.



Pepsi Twist, Vanilla Coke, Jakada Coffee Latte and Red Bull are trendy drinks.



European-style sneakers and shoes are a popular look this year.



Nokia introduces "N-Gage," a video game console combined with a mobile phone. N-Gage played MP3 files, had multiplayer capabilities and could send e-mail and text messages.



Credit cards take on a new look with the Discover 2GO Card.



GPS (Global Positioning System) is a satellite-aided tracking system.



Actors from the film "L.A. D.J." model fashion fads. Low-rise jeans, tank tops, wide belts, cargo pants, rugby shirts, 70's style clothing and terry cloth sweat suits were also popular.



Kelly Rowland is stylin' with extreme color highlights in her hair.



Advancements in laser technology give surgeons the ability to reshape the eye to reduce or eliminate the need for contact lenses and glasses.

OTHER NEWS in TRENDS & TECHNOLOGY

- TiVo, a digital video recorder, allowed viewers to record their favorite shows without tapes or timers. It also had the ability to pause, rewind or replay live TV.
- The price of a 42-inch plasma television dropped to \$6,000. The gas-based displays were as thin as four inches.
- Nintendo released the limited edition Platinum Game Boy Advance priced at \$79.95. They also unveiled a new video game console, GameCube, which sold for \$199.95.
- Scientists turned to desktop printers in an effort to produce three-dimensional tubes of living tissue. Many laboratories were printing arrays of DNA, proteins and cells.
- Segway introduced the first "Human Transporter." The upright, personal transportation device was designed to operate in any pedestrian environment and retailed at \$4,950.
- The Packbot was recruited by the U.S. Army to help fight the war against terrorism. The robot transmitted images from inside caves, letting troops know if it was safe to proceed.



The Anaheim Angels celebrate their first World Series championship. They beat the San Francisco Giants in a seven-game series.



The University of Maryland claims the 2002 NCAA College Basketball Championship.

SPORTS



Andre Agassi wins his fourth Australian Open.



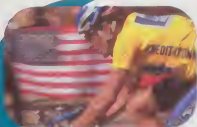
Michael Waltrip takes the flag at a rain-shortened Daytona 500. This was his second Daytona victory.



Brazil defeats Germany 2-0 in the first FIFA World Cup to be held in Asia.



Serena Williams becomes the fifth woman in history to hold all four Grand Slam tennis titles at once.



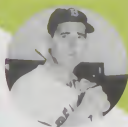
Lance Armstrong is the first American to win four consecutive Tour de France titles.



The PGA's money leaders for 2002 are Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson and Vijay Singh.



The University of Connecticut wins its 39th consecutive game and the NCAA Women's Basketball Championship by defeating Duke.



Boston Red Sox baseball legend Ted Williams dies at 83.



Baltimore Colts football great Johnny Unitas dies at 69.



The Tampa Bay Buccaneers claim their first Super Bowl Championship with a 48-21 victory over the Oakland Raiders.



Ohio State stunned Miami in double overtime to win college football's national championship.



The Detroit Red Wings capture the Stanley Cup by defeating the Carolina Hurricanes.



War Emblem races to victory at the Kentucky Derby.



Tasha Schwickert wins the 2002 International Women's All-Around Gymnastics Championship.



Winter X Gamers Shaun White and Gretchen Bleiler claim the gold in the Men's and Women's Superpipe.



Gary Kasparov beats a super computer after a four-hour chess match.



Michael Jordan announces his retirement at the NBA All Star game.



Kobe Bryant, Shaquille O'Neal and the L.A. Lakers defeat the New Jersey Nets in a 4-0 sweep of the 2002 NBA Championship series. The win was the Lakers' third consecutive title.



Annika Sorenstam is the first woman to play on the PGA tour in 58 years.

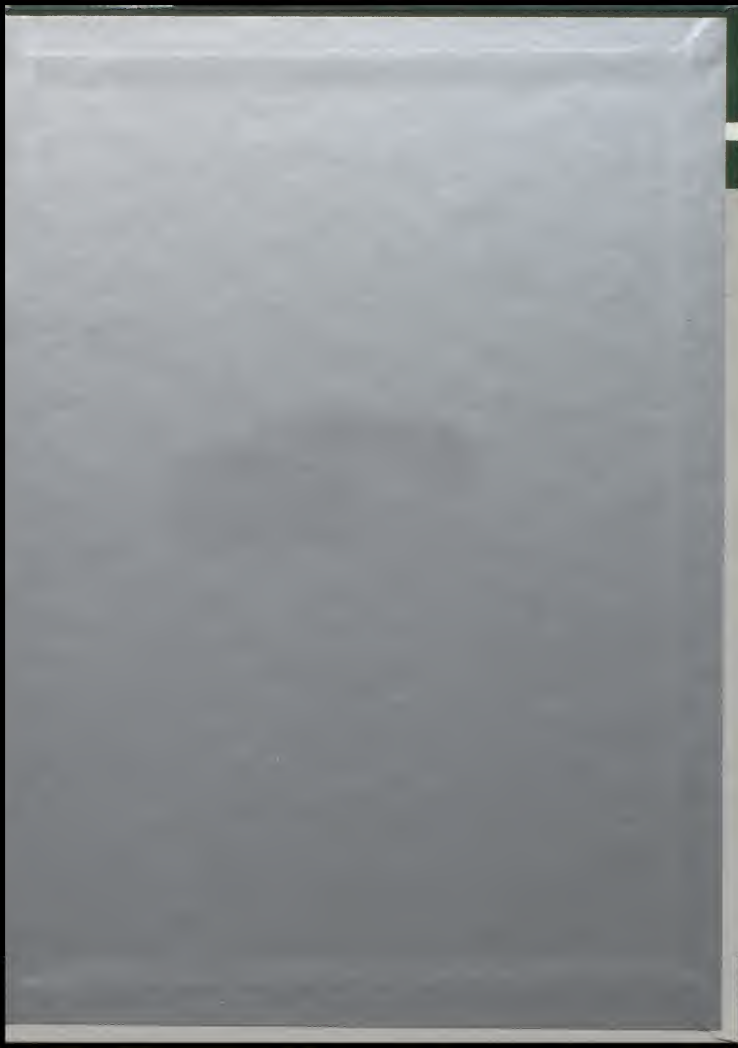


Patrick Tillman leaves his \$3.6 million NFL contract to enlist in the Army.

OTHER NEWS in SPORTS

- The University of Texas men and Auburn University women won the 2002 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships.
- Minnesota Timberwolves' Kevin Garnett was named the NBA All Star MVP. Garnett led the West to victory in double overtime.
- St. Louis Cardinals' Pitcher Darryl Kile died of a heart attack at 33. Boone Arledge, creator of "Wide World of Sports" and "Monday Night Football," died at 71.
- The University of Texas defeated the University of South Carolina to win the College World Series.







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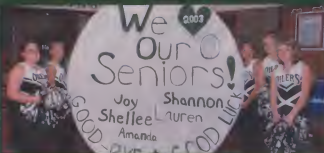
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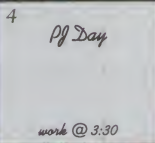
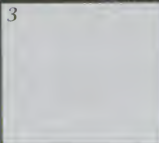
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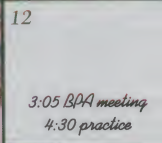
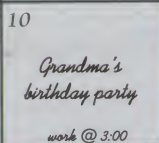
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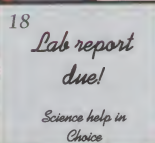
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